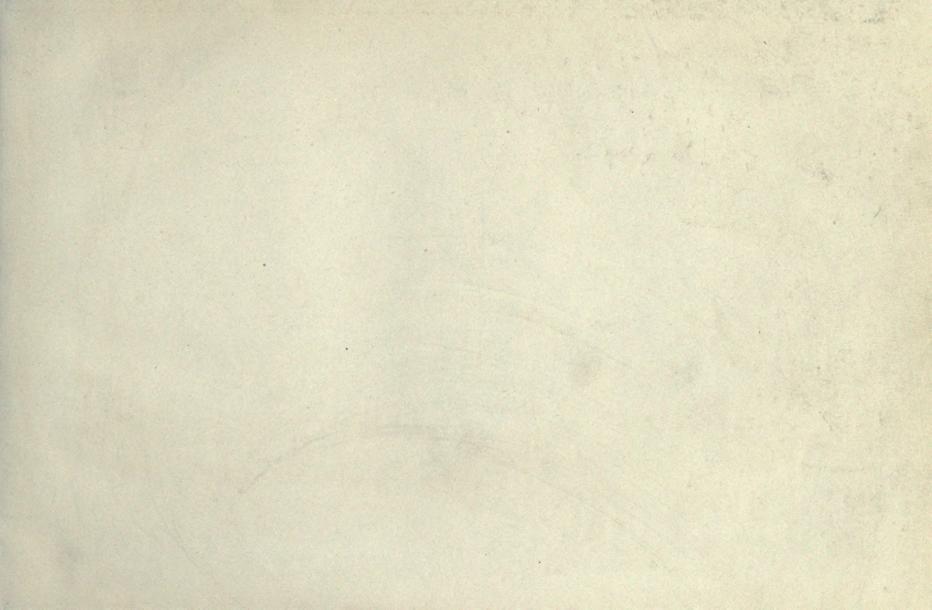
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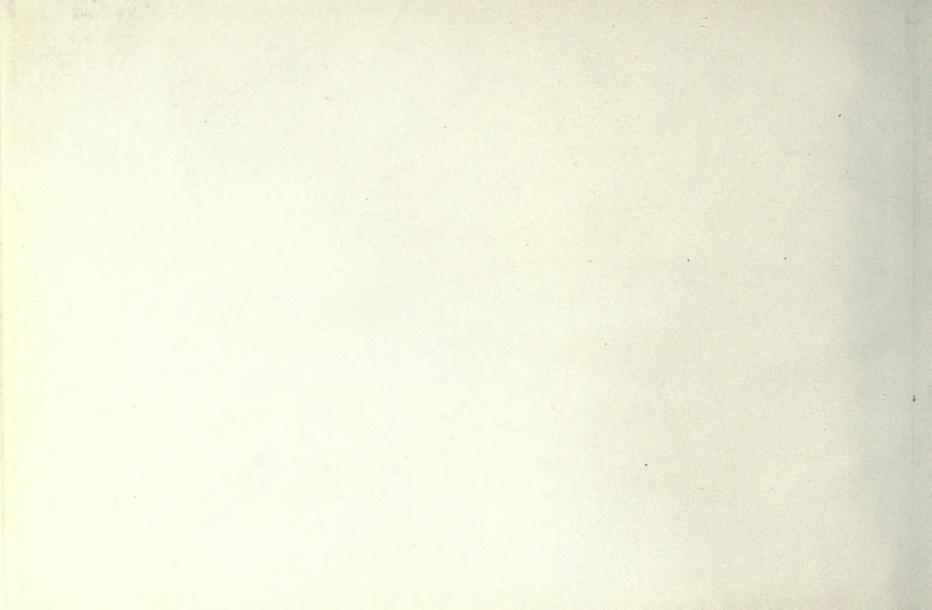


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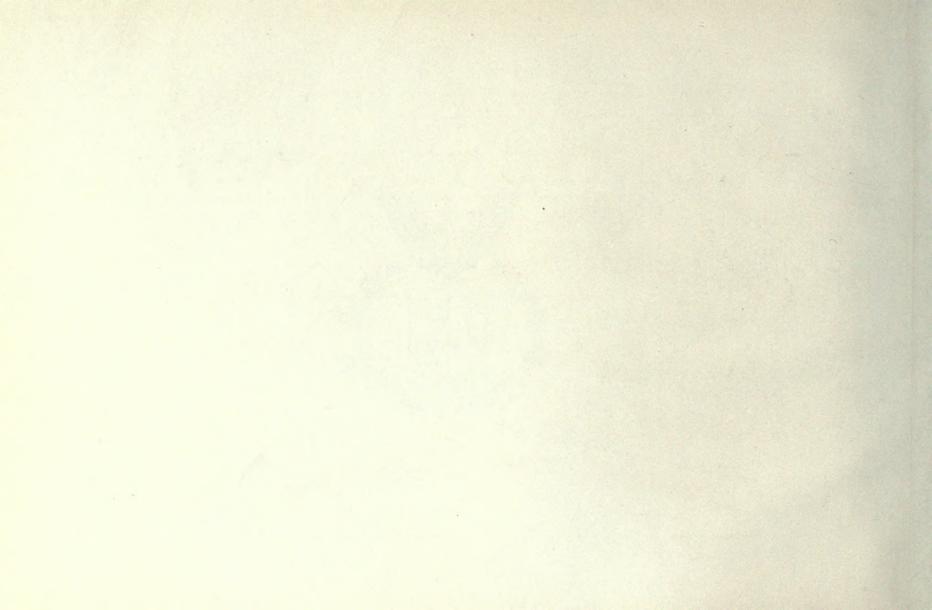
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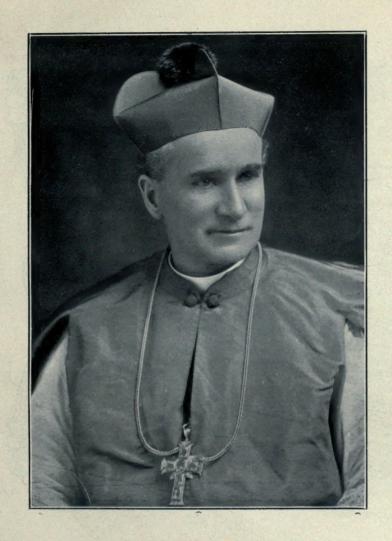
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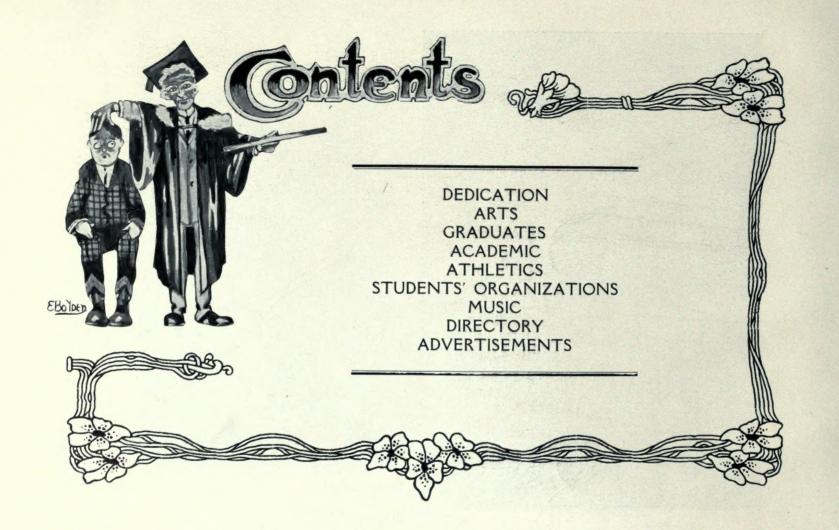


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Historical Sketch

ITH the passing of 1912, St. Michael's College has completed a round sixty years of existence, and we look with eagerness to the coming term to see the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee with all its solemnity. Founded in 1852 by the energetic Dr. de Charbonnel, Bishop of Toronto, it grew up in the shadow of the old Cathedral, under the management of its able director, the Very Rev. Fr. Soulerin, C.S.B., V.G.

In 1854 the Basilian Fathers transferred the home of their labor to the present site, generously donated by the Hon. John Elmsley, the champion of Catholic interests in the early days of Toronto. The important rôle taken by the College in Canadian education even at that date may be seen from an extract from *The Catholic Citizen* of 1855:

"We congratulate the authorities of St. Michael's College on the rapid strides they have made during the past year towards that high success which must in a very few years crown their efforts in the cause of Catholic education. The fate of Catholic youth of Western Canada has been committed to their care and they have guarded the sacred trust with zealous watchfulness."

For a number of years it was granted state aid in com-

mon with other colleges of the Province. This came to an end when the Legislature of Ontario finally decided that no financial assistance should thereafter be given to denominational institutions, and that the University of Toronto be supported as the one Provincial centre of education.

Meantime the College advanced in keeping with the rapid growth of Upper Canada, and when in 1881 the Toronto University assumed broader lines, St. Michael's was in a position to obtain affiliation in the Theological Faculty. On the passage of the University Federation Act in 1887 the work in the Arts of Toronto University was divided between the University and University College, while provision was made by which denominational colleges coming into Federation might on surrendering their degree-conferring power, undertake similar work to that done in the Provincial University College. St. Michael's was the first to accept the terms of the arrangement so as to enable the passage of the Act.

Now, since the purpose of St. Michael's College is to give a liberal education, as the Church understands the term, and especially to meet the needs of students preparing for the theological seminary, it was apparent that such University connection could not be other than experimental. As time went on, it became quite evident that the experiment must end in failure. St. Michael's drifted more and more away from participation in university connection. She remained completely separate until seven years ago. Then the College authorities with all the energy at their command started at the task of reorganizing the system so as to enable Catholic young men to take full advantage of all the opportunities of the state-endowed University and at the same time of a purely Catholic training.

The final step was made November 14, 1907, and St. Michael's took her fitting place as an integral and yet truly Catholic college of the Provincial University.

The success of the arrangement was immediate. The growth of the student body and the development of the student life was unparalleled in the history of the College. The small graduating class of 1910 was the first-fruit. The figures of enrolled students have been in 1910, 32; 1911, 45; 1912, 86. And the last figure indicates a more promising result when it

is remembered that of the total 86, 55 are enrolled in the first year alone.

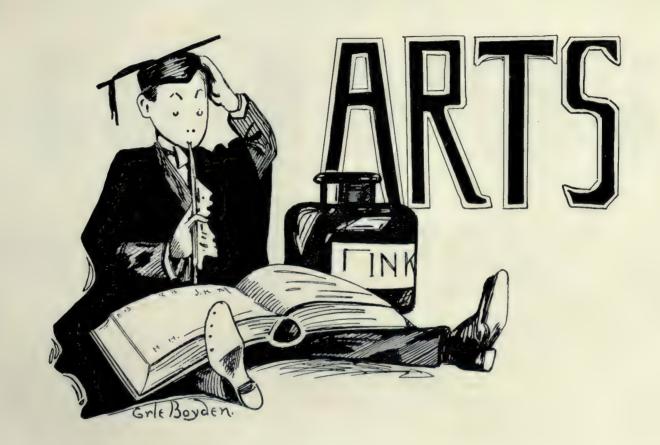
Thus it is difficult to conjecture what the growth of the next decade will be. This much seems clear, that the Catholics of the Province are beginning to realize the advantages to be had at the Catholic University College. As soon as they come to know this, St. Michael's will have reached her goal.

Her status in comparison with the great Catholic universities of the world is an enviable one. True it is not a full-fledged university in itself, with various faculties of medicine, applied sciences, etc. To support such in a predominantly non-Catholic community is impossible. Even for the students in these faculties a movement is on foot to have them in residence at the College with all the advantages of Catholic training. For those in Arts, St. Michael's already has full control in teaching and discipline. This, as far as we know, is a solution of the Catholic higher educational problem, unique the world over.





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T is now four years since the members of '12 entered the University as freshmen, determined to achieve honors and prepare themselves for future life. The success that has crowned their efforts has indeed been ample, and every member, considering his work in retrospect, is satisfied that he has done his duty to himself, to his fellow-students, and to all those interested in his welfare.

The Class of '12 is the third to graduate from St. Michael's College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Toronto. Although our Alma Mater was for many years affiliated with the Provincial University, it was not until seven years ago that the privileges thus accorded were utilized.

Class '10, the first to enter upon this work, was numerically small and beset with many difficulties. These were overcome with the courage which only pioneers can show, and their task of setting an example for the emulation of following years was made easier by the hearty co-operation of all. The year '11 brought forth another band of Academic crusaders, who with sterling zeal strove even to surpass in valorous deeds their strenuous predecessors. The success of these, however, was eclipsed by Onety-two. The former but blazed a trail, whereas the present-year students hewed out a track.

Most of the members of this Collegiate coterie, having graduated from the Preparatory Course of the College with successful Junior Matriculation, entered the University in 1908. The following year, instead of trying the First Arts examination, they wrote upon Senior Matriculation, and of the nineteen who wrote, all were successful. This signal victory was a turning point in the history of the Class, and in the following October several decided to follow up different courses in the University. Next term their ranks were further depleted, but enough were left in the Honor Philosophy Course to maintain the lofty traditions of the Class.

During the period of our growth in knowledge, many changes have been effected in the College. The Aquinas Academy, through our co-operation, was established to promote philosophical discussion and to popularize some of the abstruse problems in philosophy. The interest manifested by the students of various years in the fortnightly meetings, clearly demonstrated the popularity of the Academy.

St. Michael's Literary Society has been completely remodelled. At its inception it was merely a union of the students, giving each an opportunity to write a few essays or to make a few speeches as one's turn came round.

In order to fuse it with new interest and make it more attractive, the Constitution—thanks to the efforts of some of our esteemed Seniors—was so arranged as to evolve it into a Students' Parliament. This stands facile princeps a formative agent, an entertaining element, in the social life of the College. The present year has also seen the admittance of St. Michael's into the Inter-College Debating Union, and although not victors in the first debate, the work of our debaters called for the showers of gracious encomium, and marks them out as dangerous contenders for future bay and laurel.

The Class of '12 is also represented in athletics. Mr. "Bill" Murray was captain of the Senior O.R.F.U. rugby team, which was defeated in its series only by superior weight. Mr. Francis J. Riordan has shown great ability in the management of the alley teams; while Mr. Denis O'Connor has been largely instrumental in retaining possession of the Inter-Collegiate Handball trophy for nine consecutive years. Mr. Martin Bench has

successfully looked after the hockey teams for the past few seasons; while Mr. Gerald Kirby is our best practical exponent of Canada's great winter game.

Mr. John Bennett has shown himself to be a competent debater, and on that account has been chosen to represent the Class in the Inter-Year Debate. In scientific matters there is but one tribunal, for in this respect Mr. Peter Moloney has no peers, and all questions of research are referred to him for infallible decision. The great versatility of the Class is best shown in the musical ability of Mr. Frank J. McReavy. He belongs to the College orchestra, an aggregation very popular with the students.

From this hasty sketch may one perhaps read the horoscope of Class '12. Spes messis in semine is its motto—hope for the harvest lies in the quality of the seed. Our hopes are high—may the realization soar even to heights empyrean.

G. K.







MARTIN BENCH

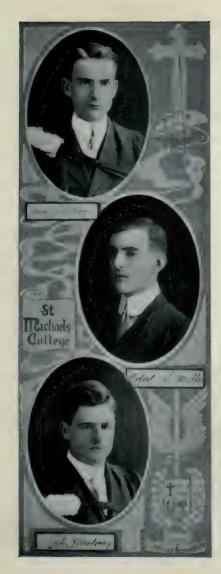
Born August 6th, 1891, Martin began his education in Orangeville. Later he attended St. Nicholas' Separate School in St. Catharines, and from thence entered the Collegiate Institute in the "Garden City." After graduating from the Collegiate, Martin joined Class Onety-two in S.M.C. As a student he has carried off all the honors, leading his class each year. His executive ability merited for him an office in the Students' Parliament, where as Minister of War he performed his duties in a manner most efficient and satisfactory both to Government and Opposition. The keen insight and progressiveness with which he is amply endowed, placed him as Editor-in-Chief of the Year Book. If what is accomplished is any criterion of a bright future, his success in life is assured.

JOHN MARTIN BENNETT

John was born in the Queen City of Canada in 1889. The erudition of his early years was obtained at St. Peter's School, where he was a shining light. In 1903 he entered De La Salle Institute, after completing his entrance examinations with great credit to himself. The following two years were spent at this Institute in varied work, when he decided to embrace the Classical course of St. Michael's College, with a view to entering the University. He matriculated in 1908 and enrolled in the Honor Philosophy course with the Class of '12. We trust that the success which has fallen to his lot thus far in life may attend him in every enterprise of the future.

GERALD JOSEPH KIRBY

Gerald's early education was inculcated at St. Helen's School, Toronto. His high school course was entrusted to De La Salle Institute and St. Michael's College. From the latter institution he obtained his matriculation, and threw in his lot with Class '12. Gerald is an all-round athlete, but Canada's national winter sport has a special attraction for him, and handball is his forte when the snow disappears. He is a member of the Unionist party in College politics and displays much aggressiveness along parliamentary lines. His sincere good nature has made for him many friends who wish him every blessing in life's journey.



FRANCIS JOSEPH McREAVY

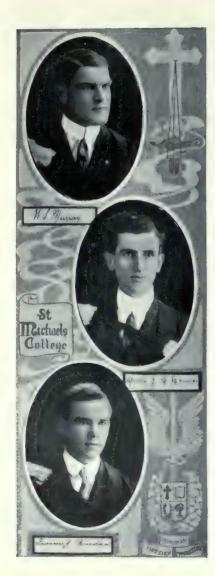
To cavil about entities and non-entities, or to delve into the depths of abstraction, is difficult for the ordinary human being, but for a man from Owen Sound such weighty questions are mere trifles. "Mac" was born there, and it was there that he received his primary education. The entrance, then matriculation from the Collegiate Institute, and then St. Michael's—these are the milestones of his intellectual training. In the class-room; in the Students' Parliament, as Minister of Finance; on the campus, where physical perfection is attained, "Mac" has always upheld the honor of Class '12. The end of our sojourn together is at hand, and as we part to take our places on the firing-line of life we wish him every success.

ROBERT MILLER

The subject of this biography first displayed his smiling countenance on this planet December 26, 1890. Toronto was honored with his presence, and "Bob" by his continued sojourn in its midst has enhanced the charms of the Queen City. The days of his primary education were spent at Upper Canada College, the attention of whose professors he occupied from 1904 to 1906. The year 1908 found the aforesaid student enrolled in Class '12. During the past four years he has proved himself a loyal adherent to the banner of St. Michael's double blue. An assiduous student, he has demonstrated his artistic talents by his marked propensity for research work, and by his displayal of unlimited enthusiasm in behalf of the welfare of Onety-two. "Bob" Miller, through his manly, courteous and unassuming disposition, obviously possesses the talisman or "open Sesame" to success in whatever profession he may choose.

PETER JOSEPH MOLONEY

Powassan claims "Pete" as one of her sturdy sons. On completing his primary education in Powassan Public School, he entered the Continuation Class, and in 1907 obtained his Junior Teacher's Certificate. But desire for knowledge still urged him on. In the same year, enrolling in St. Michael's, he joined the Class of Onety-two. Peter has always distinguished himself in studies and athletics. He succeeded in carrying off the prize in mathematics and ably upheld his position on one of the champion football teams. The students of the graduating class heartily wish him every success in whatever vocation he may choose in life.



WILLIAM LEO MURRAY

"Wee Willie" first commanded attention in Pembroke, June 18, 1890. After absorbing all the knowledge of the Pembroke Separate School, he girded his loins and betook himself to S.M.C. in 1905, and matriculated in 1908. During his stay amongst us he proved himself a "man of many parts." Both on the athletic field and in the class-room his record has been an enviable one. Few are his equals as a line plunger, having merited the significant name of "Human Dreadnaught" when St. Michael's won the Junior Dominion Rugby Championship. Winner of 1912 Oratorical Contest, Associate Editor of the Year Book, Prime Minister of the Students' Parliament, all bespeak Bill's prowess in the executive and educational line. His sterling character has won the appreciation of his many friends who all join in wishing him the best of success in his chosen walk of life.

DENIS JOSEPH O'CONNOR

Pickering has the honor of being the scene of "Dennie's" early life and education. But it was not long before his rapidly expanding capacities called for larger fields of activity, and in 1907 he entered St. Michael's, taking up the Matriculation Course. "Dennie's" career has been successful in every sense of the word. He has had the proud distinction of winning the Scollard Scholarship, while his carrying off the Literary Medal, besides giving Mr. Murray a close run in the Oratorical Contest, is abundant evidence of his all-round ability as a society member. The same aggressiveness and ability has given Denis a high reputation as an athlete in all departments; he seems to shine equally well on the gridiron, lacrosse field, and handball alley. With such a versatility of talent nothing but a brilliant career lies in store for him.

FRANCIS I. RIORDAN

Much might be written of the admirable subject of this biography. But suffice it to say, that his course at S.M.C. adds another luminous page to history. In the class-room and on the campus he has taken an energetic part, and fair Fortune has been pleased to choose him as a "leader." In the societies of College life he has displayed the rare talents of a debater, and especially in the Students' Parliament, where he is known as the irrepressible leader of the Opposition. In athletics, rugby and handball primarily took his fancy; he made a solid middle-wing on St. Michael's Mulock Cup Team, and has ably managed the handball series for 1911-12. The avenues to success are numerous and rugged, but whatever may be Frank's choice, he will have ample equipment for the steep journey.



VERY REV. NICHOLAS ROCHE, C.S.B.

Provincial of the Canadian Province of The Basilian Fathers

----AND----

Former President of St. Michael's College.



CLASS '13

NOTHER year has gone the way of all flesh and days.
Once more the bell calls from the Editor's sanctum, and a
voice "to threaten and command" swells in megaphone
imperative: "Scribe, indite the history of Class '13, and
indite it quick!"

To do justice to this noble company would be impossible; yet could we but rescue from oblivion a few flotsam events of the past scholastic cycle our labor will not have been in vain.

It is almost three years since, as Freshmen, we entered on our University career. In the beginning how top-lofty we felt! How little inclined to mark anything but the Olympian brow of the graduating demi-god.

Even then '13 made itself a force in the school; its prowess was acknowledged by all. Mingling recreation with study, in true philosophic style, this Jovian galaxy ate the ambrosia and sipped at the nectar of 'Varsity hard-tack.

The Freshman year passed all too quickly. In examinations, singular success crowned our efforts, and thus it was a happy group that reassembled the following September to enter the Eleusinian mysteries of Sophomore existence. Our numbers were greatly reduced; but those who were left, true to the ideal record set the year before, put their whole heart into this next Herculean labor, and all, as usual, carried off the palm of victory.

The last days of September, 1911, found most of us once more in our places. Two faces were beckoned by a higher duty from our ranks, but we had secured one recruit from the "Forest City." So, while regretting our lost ones, we pursued the even tenor of our way, after imbuing our newest member with a proper sense of the high honor done him, and of the dignity to which he had attained. Our exams again give us the gorgonizing stare; but, though designed to strike terror into the bravest of hearts, these monstra horrenda, bristling with pointed questions, are viewed with calmness by the

stoic optics of '13. Serene in the consciousness of work well done, they confidently await the Delphic oracle's response.

Not in academic achievements alone does the Class take a foremost part. Every branch of campus sport, too, finds a champion among them. The Students' Parliament has seen torrents of eloquence flow from this great cerebral reservoir. It was from '13 that the two debaters were chosen to uphold the honor of the College in the Inter-College Debating Union. What more do we want!

Almost every part of Ontario has sent a representative. The Class President, Edward Brennan, hails from the "Garden City," Then Campbellford, "the lovliest village of the Trent valley," sends her Arcades ambo in the persons of Daniel Forestell and Charles J. D. Black. Lambert Garvin, the strong-voiced denizen of the Irish flat, ships from a more rural metropolis known as Westport. Michael O'Brien, of Peterboro, though of mighty intellect, has a penchant for malicious puns. Basil Kingsley comes next up the Midland tracks from "one town" known to expert geographers as Lindsay. The Queen City, too, has her worthy representatives in "Bobby" Culliton and Augustine Mogan, who believe that beyond the sacred wards of Toronto there existeth of the world a mere negligible nihil. From farther west comes one of our most popular members, Leonard Forristal, Last, but not least, Cobourg, a little summer resort, wishing to have one of her most worthy son's name writ in the temple of fame, despatched one Thomas McGwan.

Les voilà! An aggregation of noble scholars! They have set a high-water mark for future generations to emulate. Their fame has gone far afield; their mighty intellects and powers of concentration are revered and envied by Junior and Senior alike. May their past success be repeated in the future, and may each one of them in the flowery years-to-be bring forth fruit abundant from the good seed scattered broadcast with generous hand and calculating eve by their much-beloved professors at St. Michael's College.

B. T. K.



CLASS '14

HE truth of the old adage, "The best of friends must part," is proven year after year by the departure of students from their Alma Mater. The necessity which disrupts friendships in college life did not spare '14, for when the reveille was sounded for the year of 1911-12 many members who had

been with the Class as "freshies" were absent.

But the motto of '14 has ever been, "Quality, not quantity," and a mere glance at the events of the past year shows how true the Class has been to its ideal. What class has shone forth more brilliantly than '14 in every department of college life—academic, social or athletic? Where in the whole College—yes, in any college—does such class spirit prevail?

To enumerate all the achievements of the Class would be both fulsome and unnecessary; yet, lest we be accused of neglect of duty,

we must mention the Shakespeare Fest at least.

Early in the year the Class undertook to give the College a surprise in the shape of an entertainment. Everyone co-operated heartily, and surely no one will question the statement that Fourteen's Shakespeare Fest was a grand success. "Hamlet" was the play chosen. Essays on the play and on the characters were read, famous passages were rendered in such a manner as to bring forth bursts of applause from the audience; and a spirited debate on the question of Hamlet's madness was engaged in.

In athletics the Class enjoys a fair reputation. Hardly any team could be considered complete without a "soph" on its line-up.

Possibly more pronounced has been our success in literary and academic work. In the Students' Parliament the Class has ever taken a very active interest, and every other society has its second-year representative. Although '14 did not win the championship of the Inter-Class Debating Union, still it was only after a closely contested debate that they lost to fourth year.

Class '14 has a very valuable asset in Michael O'Mara, who hails from Limerick, Ireland. Michael proves an inexhaustible source of first-hand information anent the Home Rule agitation.

Were anyone to think that Michael's sympathies are elsewhere than with the Green Isle, he need only attend class with '14 for a very short season. For, often while the professor in stentorian tones denounces student vagaries in Latin or Greek construction, a soft, sweet voice wistfully murmurs: "I'd love to be in Ireland now."

Then there is Walter (Dutch) Gonter, from Wellsville, N.Y., half-back of the Senior O.R.F.U. team and one of the best players in all Canada. "Dutch" also plays hockey with the Rink Rats, and holds down first sack on the baseball team. Wellsville is also the proud possessor of two other members of '14—the class "wit," Charles Donovan, and Harold Gonter, whose forte is handball and pedagogy.

Toronto sends two members, Alfred Lellis and Francis Carrol. "Alf" played quarter-back for the Mulock Cup rugby team, and Frank

is well known in St. Francis' parish as a debater.

Edward Canning, claiming Armadale as his home town, is noted for his loquacity. Ed. is always ready to express his farreaching views on any question (?). He is also accounted a good man in holding or bucking a line. John F. Kehoe, the class scientist, was again returned by Coventry. He has astounded the scientific world with his new theory on the evolution of man's body. John's lenten bye-word is, "Fish thou art and unto fish thou shalt return." Almonte has the honor of sending Edward B. Dowdall, who has not infrequently caused a sensation by his original views on current questions, such as the formation of a third party in the "House."

Isidore Guerard is the member from Northern Ontario-Port

Arthur: while Damien Secours represents the East.

Needless to say, all the success of the Class must not be attributed to the boys. We owe much of it to our professors, and wish to extend to them our thanks. Rev. A. E. Hurley, our Honorary President, has always done his utmost to further the interests of the Class, and we take advantage of the present opportunity to assure him of our deepest gratitude.

I. A. G.



CLASS '15

ERE'S to '15! Deep-seated, even as the hills, its memory will endure. It is beloved of the professors, the envy of its elders. Its members cherish the name and will never allow it to fade. Even Clayton Bohan, proportionately short as his memory must be, cannot easily forget the hours spent within our hall. Meteor-like we flashed upon the college world. The telescope was directed towards us from all sides to explain our phenominal existence. Yet our splendor has not waned; but achievement in every field has rather added lustre to our shining.

First of all, in numbers the Class of '15 stands pre-eminent. It not only puts to shame any other year in the records, but easily surpasses the combined numbers of the remaining three years. East and West, North and South, have conspired to swell its ranks. Its fame extends from the wintry shore of Nepigon to the equatorial clime of Porto Rico.

Here may be found light-weights or heavy-weights of the best varieties. Where is there a quartette to compare with O'Connor, O'Ray, Sureda and Bohan? Will not some Homer springing from our ranks tell of their achievements, even as the elder singer told of the prowess of the little men of old? Our hoplites are mighty men and strong—Holland, and Roach, Gonter and Gorman, unmated because unmatched. Are not these names known wherever a hard-fought rugby battle has

been fought? Garvin and Malone, Murray and McCormick, were the stalwarts of the Second Team, and next year will see them bright lights among the Seniors. Gorman has the additional honor of guarding the nets for the Junior O.H.A. team. With him are Duggan and Nealon, a tower of strength to the defence. But the brightest of all stars in the hockey firmament is the short and sturdy Jack Spratt, of international reputation. Nor is the list yet exhausted. Seers fortell that another year will see Hatrick, Bohan and Drohan carrying the banner of '15 to victory in the arena.

Not only has our attendance at the rendezvous been a staggering problem for the higher critics, but the talent thereat displayed has been a matter of amazement. Let it not be imagined that because strong in athletics we are wanting in intellectual prodigies. Who has seen the like of Dan Sheehan, our mathematical marvel, who moves serenely through the complicated evolutions of "x" and "y"? No maze too intricate for him, no brain wracking puzzle too difficult. Nor do our members lack the power to express themselves in polished phrase on public platform. Who, that has heard Joe O'Neill descanting on congenial topics, has not felt his heart stirred by the silvery notes? And there are others of elevating speech or graceful pen. Who will gainsay me when I say that Fahey, Pocock, Corkery, Clairmont, O'Leary, Phelan and Duggan are

candidates to whom no prophet would venture to deny future fame.

The round of our achievements is not yet complete. The College boasts of a corporation called the Rink Rats. The name is hardly indicative of its solid worth or valuable service, We lay claim to the presiding genius of this association—Holland; oracular Holland! who forecasts the weather and makes the ice.

Prominent among the many members from the Queen City is Sir Daniel O'Neill, a gentleman with the dignity and carriage of a rear-admiral. St. Catharines sends us two of her sons, Hubert Hynes and "Baldy." They are not twins, nor even brothers, but they are a charming pair. It must indeed have gone hard with St. Catharines when they left her fruitful orchards. By the Ottawa camps McCormick, destined to live

for having reorganized the "pound." From Arthur hail a well-balanced pair—Callaghan, silent and thoughtful, and Donovan, whose native Irish eloquence would wring a sob from the stoniest heart. From Mexico City comes Tansey. Earl knows a good thing and will go any distance to get it. He is a graduate of St. Basil's College, Waco, Texas, and always carries the brightness of the Lone Star in his happy smile.

To our Honorary President, Mr. O'Sullivan, we are deeply indebted for his kindly interest and generous aid.

So ends the record. The scribe's work is done. It has been congenial labor, and if all feel towards the Class and its members as he does towards it and them, then we may truly say that all have reason to be grateful that during the past months they followed the ways and by-ways of Class '15.

B. M.



THE ADVENT OF A "FRESHIE"

The Oratorical Contest

Orator nascitur, non fit.—(Horace's Ars Poetica revised).

HE annual oratorical contest of the Students' Parliament took place in the College Club Room on Friday evening, February 16th, and proved one of the most interesting and successful events held during the scholastic term.

No less than eight students entered the contest. For several weeks had the contestants been preparing for that long-expected occasion when they would mount the rostrum of rival speech. From the outset, the deepest interest and heartiest enthusiasm had been evinced by every member of the octette of eager aspirants, and each was determined to carry off the coveted prizes.

And well they might! To the winner of the contest were offered the Columbian Gold Medal, as also a handsomely bound set of Scott's novels. But this was not the only motive to inspire the minds of the adolescent Ciceros. Far more valuable than books or medals were to be the experience and self-confidence which they would gain in delivering their orations before their assembled professors and fellow students. Only one could win the medal, but all would assuredly gain in other ways. Hence, each contestant worked his noblest and his best in perfecting his discourse.

Jam tandem aliquando! The fateful evening arrived! Little class work had been done that day by certain local Burkes,

Lauriers and Daniel Websters. Instead of technical academics more than one longing lingering look had been cast behind at the codices whereon were recorded the addresses to be delivered before that schola docens and schola discens 'ere Father Time might garner another day.

The presiding officer, Mr. Leonard Forristal, '13, introduced the programme with his wonted grace, by a few appropriate remarks.

The first speaker was Mr. Basil T. Kingsley, '13. What could be a more animating subject than "Home Rule, a Reality"? The Celtic hearts of the assembled students throbbed with vigorous pulsation as the speaker portrayed in prophetic fashion those scenes of joy and happiness which will, no doubt, accompany the re-establishment of an Irish Parliament on College Green.

The dais next welcomed Mr. Denis J. O'Connor, '12. "Denny" chose as his theme, "The Life-work and Decline of Daniel O'Connell." In glowing and eloquent language he traced the life of the Great Liberator, following his career of constitutional agitation through joy and sorrow, sunshine and shadow, from the triumph of Tara Hill to dejection in an Irish goal. The lofty and sublime character of this noble emancipator of Erin was strikingly portrayed in this oration.

Socialism was the timely subject taken up by Mr. Charles

O'Leary, '13. In stern lecture style, Charlie succeeded in throwing much light upon the social, political and ethical aspects of this stirring problem of the hour.

Then came the ultimate champion of the evening, Mr. William L. Murray, '12. "Wee Willie" was an imposing figure, a re-incarnated Spartacus and the Gracchi Brothers all done up in one, as he calmly announced from the platform, "My subject is, The Supremacy of the Pope." "Bill" had chosen a big subject, but being accustomed to tackling big affairs, he was quite equal to the task. Clearly, concisely and convincingly, he demonstrated by logical argument and Bib'ical citation, the primacy of the occupant of the chair of Peter. Mr. Murray carried his audience with him throughout, and by his eloquent persuasiveness gave ample proof of an innate power to shine, conspicuous as blood-red Mars, in the oratorical firmament of the coming years.

"A Toast to Canada," was the topic selected by Mr. Thomas J. McGwan, '13. The keynote of his address was loyalty to our native land. Once launched into patriotic minstrelsy, Tom then, with master's hand and prophet's fire, chanted the long glories of our crescent land.

Mr. Francis J. Riordon, '12, spoke on "The Jesuits in Early Canada." The trials, sufferings, persecutions, and martyrdoms of these early missioners, who dyed with their sanctifying blood the soil of Ontario, while instilling the faith into the rude Indian, were vividly described and brought home to the hearts of his collegiate listeners.

The closing discourse was delivered by Mr. Joseph O'Neill, '15. "Joe' is naturally of a pacific and friendly disposition, accordingly he dwelt on the "Unreasonableness of War." Rending the veil of the future, he exposed to the mind's eye of his hearers the dawn of that millenial day when the dove of peace shall perch above the assembled banners of the earth and war shall be no more. Universal brotherhood shall produce the peaceable "Parliament of man, and the Federation of the world."

The judges of the evening, Rev. Father Carr, Mr. Daniel Miller and Mr. Edward V. O'Sullivan, after careful consideration, awarded first place to Mr. William L. Murray; Mr. Miller presenting the well-merited reward. Had there been a second prize, the judges would have been confronted with a difficult task, as the majority of the speakers came close to each other in point of excellence. What one lacked in matter he made up in delivery, and vice-versa.

The general concensus of opinion among the older gentlemen was that the contest of 1912 was one delightful feast of reason and flow of soul; in fact, a symposium of oratory unparalleled in the history of St. Michael's. To the winner and to the other speakers who contributed so lavishly towards the success of the contest, the student body in general and the Students' Parliament in particular, offer the heartiest congratulations for deeds of honor done and best wishes for rich and golden harvests in later fields of eloquence, at the bar or in the pulpit, on the hustings or in the high halls of legislature.

E .B.



The I.C.D.U. Debate

Tu ne cede malis; sed contra audentior ito, Qua tua te fortuna sinet.—(Virgil's Aeneid).



HE evening of Thursday, Nov. 9th, 1911, will long be remembered by the then students of the College, for on that memorable occasion St. Michael's made her debut in the Inter-College Debating Union. During the year 1910-11 the Students' Parliament had been received into the Union, and at the inaugural meeting in October last, a hearty welcome was given to the representatives of the Catholic educational centre of the University.

At a subsequent meeting, St. Michael's and Victoria College were matched as rival clubs in the first series. The latter institution graciously accepted our invitation to debate in the College Hall, and November 9th was agreed on as the date. The subject chosen was, "Resolved, That newspapers do more to mould public opinion than do all other agencies combined."

St. Michael's upheld the affirmative and Victoria the negative.

Not in years has such a large and enthusiastic audience

gathered within the hallowed College walls, as assembled that evening. For one solid hour before the opening of the debate the undergraduates of both educational institutions continued to pour into the debating hall. And well they might! The students of St. Michael's, loyal to their Alma Mater, and eager to witness the double-blue triumph, flocked in amazing numbers to this first combat. The Victorians, on the other hand, recalling their success of the previous year in carrying off the palm of victory in the I. C. D. U., were equally confident of the ability of their representatives to win.

The College Hall presented an animated scene; on the left were seated the visiting students; on the right, the St. Michael's followers. Patriotic airs, college songs and yells fairly shook the building from its foundations when Dr. John A. Amyot formally opened the debate.

"Who were the debaters?" the anxious reader will ask. Mr. Michael S. O'Brien, '13, of Peterboro, and Mr. Basil T.

Kingsley, '13, of Lindsay, wielded the Philippies for S.M.C., while Mr. W. C. Graham and Mr. L. Smith pleaded Victoria's cause.

But, soft! A state of silence has fallen over the audience! The argumentation has commenced. Mr. O'Brien, the leader of the affirmative, has arisen and is already explaining the meaning of the various terms in the proposition to be debated. In well-chosen words and by means of effective arguments, he dealt with the power of the newspaper as an ethical agent. In an able manner the speaker demonstrated the influence of its editorial columns as a moral teacher. Undeservedly though it be, these are read more widely than doctrinal sermons and instructions concerning right and wrong.

The leader of the negative was Mr. W. C. Graham. That gentleman put forward the claims of his side in an eloquent and convincing manner. The effects of daily observation, conversation, books and magazines, were cited as agencies far stronger than the newspaper.

Then came Mr. B. T. Kingsley, the second advocate of the newspaper cause. His was an excellent discourse; wherein he argued vigorously regarding the general influence and ability of the daily paper to sway and control public opinion. He contended that the various departments of a daily publication, its news, advertising and editorial sections, have greater control than books, pulpit and conversation combined.

Mr. Smith referred to the tremendous power of temperance, the pulpit and the drama on the public mind; these, he held, far outweigh the influence of the press. After a brief reply by the leader of the affirmative, the judges, Mr. James Mavor, Professor of Political Economy in the University of Toronto, Mr. B. Spence, and Mr. Joseph Thompson, K.C., retired to arrive at a verdict. Mr. Brazil filled in the intermission with humorous musical selections.

A hush of expectant mystery settled over debaters and audience as the judges returned. The decision is announced. Victoria has won—by a few points. Immediately the club room re-echoes with the exultant applause of the Victoria ranks and the hearty congratulatory cheers of the S.M.C. forces.

After the cheering had subsided and a vote of thanks had been unanimously extended to the chairman and judges, the evening's entertainment was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

We had gone down to defeat, yet not at all contrary to expectation. On entering the Union we had been quite willing and ready to stare three or four consecutive defeats in the face before the mellowing process of repeated test might fairly be expected to turn us from raw recruits to mature veterans. After our first trial, and in the light of its experience, we say, "Now we know how the thing is done." Given two good industrious, loyal and self-respecting youths of our ordinary product; given likewise a fair turn of fortune in the allotment of subject and side—then watch the old St. Michael's manhood, sincerity, logic and fire, send our noble opponents.

Bootless home and weather-beaten back.

Thus may it be done!

E. B.







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REV. A. E. HURLEY, C.S.B.	 	 	 	English
REV. R. McBRADY, C.S.B.	 	 	 	Latin and French
REV. H. CARR, C.S.B	 	 	 	Greek and German
REV. J. A. SULLIVAN, C.S.B.	 	 	 R	cligious Knowledge
REV. F. D. MEADER, C.S.B.	 	 	 Mathe	matics and Science
MR. P. J. MOLONEY	 	 	 	Junior Science
MR. M. BENCH	 	 	 	Junior French
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Commercial Department

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MR. B. T. KINGSLEY

MR. D. L. FORESTELL

Music

MR. E. JULES BRAZIL Pianoforte and Singing

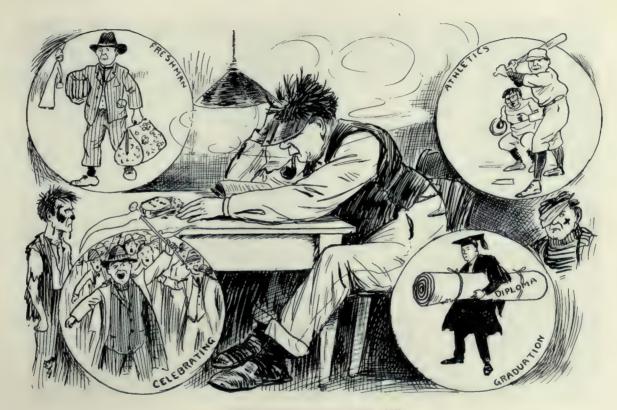
Discipline

Preparatory Department

HIS department comprises three divisions—classes of boys who have not yet passed the entrance, the high school up to and including matriculation, and commercial work. The institution of this department aimed at giving Catholic parents an opportunity of removing their boys from the influences of non-Catholic schools. The most important branch, of course, is the High School. There are no Catholic high schools, nor will there be as far as we can see into the future. Yet the years that the boy spends at these institutions are the most important in his life. The lessons learned in the separate schools become rapidly fainter and dimmer. The utter lack of everything spiritual and religious undermines Catholic spirit and faith. During recent years our Alma Mater has worked especially hard to bring this course to a high state of efficiency, and has succeeded. The giant growth in the Arts Course, combined with other circumstances, necessitates more care and attention. There is no longer room on St. Joseph Street for the whole College as it was of old. The Preparatory School is, we understand, to be removed to roomier quarters in the near future.

The public and separate school systems of Ontario aim at giving the best results to the greatest number. The majority

of pupils in those schools do not advance beyond them, and the vast majority not much beyond them. The course of instruction provides primarily for these. Similarly the high school system looks mainly to the needs of students who do not expect to go farther. These systems, then, though perhaps accomplishing their proper end, are unanimously condemned by university men as giving an inadequate preparation for most lines of university work. Educators agree, without exception, that the proper age to begin language study is early, in the tenth or eleventh year. By abolishing the "entrance" line of cleavage, St. Michael's College Preparatory School will be able to take boys at this age, without neglecting any essentials in other respects, give them such a training for higher work as will hardly be surpassed on the continent. One thing is certain, the boys will go forth with a speaking knowledge of at least one modern language—a result that no high school or collegiate institute has ever produced. Thus, taking all the good qualities that so many years of careful thought have brought out in the Ontario system, and dropping what the high and public school men themselves claim to be hampering regulations, the result ought to be near human perfection.



SOME PHASES OF STUDENT LIFE



FOURTH ACADEMIC CLASS

Fourth Academic Class

Junior Matriculation assembled in class with a greeting for old friends and a welcome for new. Many moons have passed since then. Exams appeared a mere speck on the horizon of the year. The yard was a pleasant place, rugby more interesting than Greek. Midnight oil was in little demand. But now those examinations loom up like avenging angels. Oh, for the studies misspent! Woe to the siren pigskin! Yet, better late than never; let us to our books and hope for the best.

Although our numbers are comparatively few, we are well represented in every activity of the House. St. Charles' Literary Society will have reason to remember with gratitude the year in which Austin Gant so ably plied the secretary's quill. The Vice-President, H. Guiry, is also of our number, and our representatives hold the floor as only Fourth men can.

In athletics, some of the highest exponents are from our ranks, while we all endeavor to derive the ordinary advantages to be had from campus education. In games a college boy is taught to take hard knocks and accept decisions—a training which broadens his mind as well as his shoulders.

The "even tenor of our way" was marred by one lamentable event. The Grim Reaper knocked at the door for our class-mate Donovan Fowler, a lad well-known and well liked in the school as well as in the class. The sorrow of his mourning parents and comrades was assuaged in a great measure by the glorious manner of his entrance into eternity. He had the happiness of receiving all the comforting aids which Holy Church provides for the dying. A solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by one of the priests of the House for the repose of his soul, which row, we hope, is enjoying eternal bliss.

The Rev. Fr. Sullivan expressed his pleasure in very modest terms on being asked to assume the dignity of Honorary President. He has since shown his appreciation by many kindnesses, for which we are sincerely grateful.

'Tis but a few more weeks and the term will be over, the last for a good many of us in the Academic department. The majority will doubtless persevere in higher courses of learning. Wherever the future may scatter us, let us remember our companions and the pleasant incidents of 1912.

J. O'F.



THIRD ACADEMIC CLASS

Third Academic Class

HROUGH three years of collegiate life we have waged our way, and the closing of this scholastic term stamps. Third Academic with the seal that the past year was a successful one. Although we are few in number, still there burns in the heart of each and every one that glow of ambition to be able to uphold the honor of old St. Michael's in the Junior Matriculation next year.

As we scan the little group, the robust figure of Sylvester stands out as a pillar of strength and intellectuality. We can by no means attribute his strength to the Power that accompanies him in the class-room, nevertheless Leo and "Syl" have earnestly labored to make Third Academic a most proficient class.

There is Hogan, who is always ready with a good "old" story from far away Savanne. Then there is Joe O'Leary, "whose silver hairs have often purchased us a good opinion." It might sound strange to say that Joe always has a Post with him in class, and he calls it Johnny. John is by no means what his name implies, but he is one of our best members.

Still looking, we see two Doyles and two Healys. Now these are neither brothers nor cousins; just namesakes, that's all.

Over there is Smith, who never disturbs the class until his

Lawless seat-mate becomes restless by the length of the afternoon session.

In haste we cast a glance at Carey, O'Connell, Lambrick and Quinn, who greatly helped to swell our numbers last fall.

Then there are our three "Macs"—McAvoy, McIntyre and McFadden. All three lend an air of dignity to the class, especially Daniel, who's head has been blazing away ever since he joined us.

Yonder stand two more whose stature deters their being easily recognized. Still we detect the two old stand-bys, "Micky" Rathwell and "Steve" Latchford. It surely is too bad we left them to the last, but, gentle reader, allow me to say that size of body does not be peak amount of brains. "Steve" is always at the front, and "Micky" can quote history from the fall of lofty Troy to the latest innovation at Chapleau.

Thus ends our short history. To relate all of our achievements of the past year would be impossible. Suffice to say, after a successful term in the class-room, and a good showing in the Literary Society and contests, we can heartily shake hands and say good-bye to each other until the sunny days and harvest moons of next September call us back as Junior Matriculands to the halls of dear old St. Michael's.

F. D.



SECOND ACADEMIC CLASS

Second Academic Class

The Muses move me to relate
What you already know;
To put in verse, haphazard style,
A simple tale, I trow.

Indulgence grant me, gentle friend;
Withhold your condemnation;
Remember that I take the per.
Impelled by inspiration.

A load upon my mind I bear;
My class-mates—what a throng!
And Kraus alone enough to be
The burden of my song.

Enough! He's gone; the place he left
Is filled by three, I think,
Who jostle for supremacy
And fame upon the rink.

Cleary, Bun, and Sullivan
Our athletes disconcert;
They are so nice, I swear indeed,
I see the hobble skirt.

"Molly, dear, and did you hear";
This is the sweet refrain

Joe Shanahan and Kelly sing,
With Home Rule on the brain.

Our President, Frank Hickey, has
An office boy named Paul,
The idol of the neighbor-folk
Since ever he could crawl.

Scotty has improved a speck,
He's one of the three wits,
A funny trio constitutes,
With Zip and white-haired Fitz.

But others crowd themselves upon My too bewildered mind, Their names I cannot give a place; Forgive me, if unkind.

Bill Manley has the rheumatiz,
Jim Creamer has the mumps,
There's been no joy in Second Year
Since Becky bumped the bumps.

Yet one I see distinctly still,

Though all the others fade,
The light diffused by Norman's hair
Puts "hydro" in the shade.

Earl Reddin tells me that it is

Now time to stop my pen,

And far from out the frozen north

Jack Barker cries, "Amen"!

J. B.



FIRST ACADEMIC CLASS

First Academic Class

HE close of the year 1911-12 marks the completion by about two-score students of their first year's work in the academic department. In other words, forty diligent young students had the honor of forming First Academic during the term now closing. The Class was singularly large, and good fortune seems to have rested on the brow of almost each and every one of its members, and it is indeed a sturdy aggregation of willing workers who have commenced their collegiate course.

Not only by reason of its quantity, but also by reason of its quality does First Year merit the titles of "Renowned" and "Successful." We possess within our midst, learned young scholars from various Provinces of our fair Dominion, as well as from different States of the neighboring Republic. We have in our ranks students residing at various points between the Prairie Province of Alberta and the sunny fields of Texas—thousands of miles separate the homes of the various members of this illustrious gathering.

But our greatness and renown does not lie in numbers only. Although juniors in the St. Charles Literary Society, a number of the First Academicians have already made enviable records for themselves and their Class in literary achievements, and give promise of becoming brilliant debaters in the near future.

The name of Jarvis McComber is especially worthy of mention, as a result of his part in the Declamatory Contest.

First Academic has also been well represented in athletics. There was scarcely a junior team in rugby, hockey, lacrosse or baseball which had not at least one representative of our Class. Suffice it to say, that Jennings, the Pembroke star, was the shining light in hockey, although the Robitaille brothers were powerful factors on Les Canadiens, runners-up in the Class League. Laurels in baseball and handball were carried off by the Albany youth, Thomas Maher.

The Class has within its midst the cartoonist of St. Michael's Year Book, to wit, Ed. Boyden. As proof of his artistic ability we refer you to his sketches in the present volume.

The success of the Class is largely due to John Dixon, who was unanimously chosen President for the year.

We have practically completed one round of the collegiate course at old S.M.C. The future is hidden before us, and what it contains for the members of First Academic none can foretell. Let us hope, however, that in the years to come Dame Fortune may be as generous and propitious to our Class and College as she has been in the term now closing.

J. McC.



THE COMMERCIAL CLASS

A Visit to the Commercial Department

Enter Visitor; Senor Manuel to the front.

Senor:—"It is with pleasure I introduce to you the coming business lights of Ontario and Quebec. These young men, imbued with the desire of furthering and bettering the industrial and commercial condition of Canada, have shown their business acumen and grasp of conditions by taking a business course in one of the foremost colleges of our fair Dominion. A quintette seated at the lower table greets us. These are the stenographers. Harold Andrews of Wellsville, N.Y., renowned in rugby, can also handle with ease your correspondence. Daniel Robbins, who hails from Penetanguishene, has been caught several times exceeding the speed limit. Adelard Cloutier and Vincent Morin are natives of Quebec, and though French, are both masters of English Phonography. The quintette is completed by John Griffin of Toronto, in which city he hopes to find sufficient scope for his abilities. Quebec is also well represented in the book-keeping department, by such worthy sons as the brothers Adelard and Ernest Fournier, Alexander Nobert, Henri Turcotte, Rosaire Pelletier, Edgar Jolbert and George Houde. It was from among these that Les Canadiens, who were defeated in the closely contested finals of the Inter-Mural Hockey League by the champion Rink Rats, were chosen. The north sends us such stalwarts

as Edward McDonald, who claims Massey as his home town: Vital Tromblay, our modern Chaucer from Belle Ewart; David Boucher of Chapleau, and Joseph O'Connor, the class jester, who says he is a native of Mattawa. The "Three Kings from the East" are James Harrison of Tamworth, and Their Highnesses William Corbett of Pickering and William O'Connor of Whithy. The Queen City has a strong corps of prospective business men in the persons of Raymond Wade, Frank Hughes, Ambrose McCarthy, Vincent O'Neill, Charles Tierney and Joseph Walsh. Our quartette of midgets comprises Celsus Urlocker, John McMahon, Frank Feeny and Earl McKenzie. Their maxim is, "Good things come in small parcels." Our representative from Albany, N.Y., is Richard O'Brien, a shrewd business man. And don't forget, worthy Visitor, our porter. Manuel Mendiola, a rotund gentleman from sunny Cuba, and an amateur hockey player of sufficient ability to secure a place on the Rink Rats, the champion team of the House."

Visitor:—"My good wishes go with each and every member of First Commercial, and may you enjoy a bright and successful career in whatever department of the business world you may enter."

Exit visitor highly delighted.

W. C.

In Memoriam



ARTHUR WILLIAM GLENHOLME ANGLIN

Glenholme, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Anglin, was born in Toronto on May 8th, 1897. He received his primary training at Loretto Convent, and entered St. Michael's in the fall of 1908. An attack of rheumatism, resulting in affection of the heart, necessitated his confinement to his home during the first three months of the present year. Although cut off from the outside interests and pleasures of the robust school-boy, he bore his sufferings with all the patience and fortitude of a little hero. His death occurred on the morning of the first of April. A Requiem High Mass was sung on the morning of the burial by Rev. Father Hurley, the full sanctuary choir, including many of the class-mates of the departed, assisting in the solemn celebration.

Glen's record at the College is indeed an enviable one; his success as a student, borne out by the records and reports of successive terms, his dignified demeanor among his fellows, his respectful bearing in his relations with the priests and masters of the College, and, withal, his sincere Catholic piety combined to make him that ideal character which he was—an ornament to the school, the pride of his parents and his home. Certain it is that Second Latin has lost one of its dearest pupils, and St. Michael's College one who gave promise of taking a high place among her most distinguished graduates. His absence here leaves a gap which time will not easily fill, and the memory of his sweet disposition will remain until the last of his teachers and associates are gone.

Requiescat in Pace!

In Memoriam

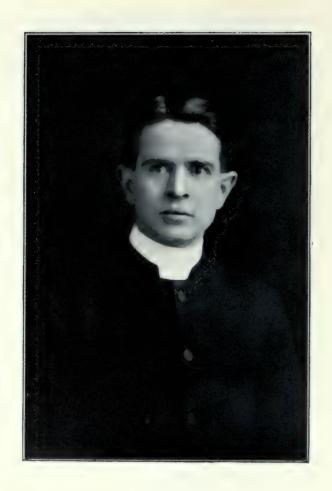
PATRICK DONOVAN FOWLER

With startling suddenness death visited the College on Tuesday, February 20th, when Patrick Donovan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Fowler of Barriefield, passed away after a short illness. His unexpected end came as a considerable shock to his fellow-students here, who, during his brief residence at St. Michael's, had learned to love and respect him as a lad of manly qualities and high ideals.

Born in Barriefield, May 11, 1893, Donovan passed the first thirteen years of his life in the local public school, and graduated with high honors. He was then enrolled as a student in Regiopolis College, Kingston, where he completed a four years' course to the eminent satisfaction of the faculty of that institution.

Last September his was one of the many new and hopeful faces which appeared in the halls of our Alma Mater. From the very outset his studious application, the spirit of good-fellowship and fairness which characterized his behavior at all times, and the exactness and sincerity with which he entered into the religious exercises of Catholic college life stamped him as a boy of rare virtue, sterling worth and illimitable possibilities. Our acquaintance with Donovan was short; we bow with resignation to the will of a bountiful God, yet we look back with feelings of genuine regret to the time when he was one of us, bearing the burdens which become a collegian's lot, and facing the difficulties which are our common heritage, manfully, nobly and well.

Requiescat in Pace!



REVEREND H. CARR, C.S.B.

President of the Athletic Association.



THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ATHLETE

Thoughts Suggested by Puck and Ball

ACH succeeding year, in sharing in the work of helping to build up a solid Catholic Canadian manhood, adds new light of great magnitude to the problem. The more clearly the work presents itself to view, the larger the dimensions of athletics in it, the greater the wisdom of those who framed the conditions of the Cecil Rhodes Scholarship. In them the preponderating quality in making a decision is "leadership," the power to mix with men, the ability to win respect and confidence, to make others look to you for help and advice. This gives some idea of that vague, intangible "leadership." The aggregate of it rules the world. Yet, though in its best manifestations it is allied to brain power, the two are not necessarily concomitant; in fact they very frequently exist separately, especially in the case of brains without "leadership." Every man naturally possesses "leadership" to some extent, and his own sphere, small or great, in which he exercises it, and every man's influence for good or ill in this world depends largely on this "leadership." It is of greater importance generally than the power to reason. It ought to be carefully developed.

There is no such favorable field for the development of it in the mass as in a boarding college, and above all in a Catholic one. Here every moment of the waking day gives new opportunities. The class-room hours are least productive. The athletic field overshadows all else, firstly and chiefly for those immediately engaged, remotely for all the others, inasmuch as it affords a stimulus to all. Only a close and experienced student of the subject can realize the truth of the remark of the Duke of Wellington, that Waterloo was won on the playgrounds of Eton. Athletics, more than anything else, are the medium of intercourse in a Catholic boarding college. It is in this intercourse with others that the rough edges of individual characteristics are worn off and that sprouting something in us by which we influence others, is given a chance to burst into bloom.

It may be objected that athletics are too trivial to be so engrossing. At least they are healthy for the body and harmless as food for talk and mind interest in moments of relaxation. Morally, the free time of students is of more importance than the time spent in study. Granted that athletics do not interfere with study (and this must be taken for granted), it is a great thing to be able to say that the recreations at the most critical period of their lives are harmlessly employed. In a Catholic boarding college conditions are encountered which no one without experience can appreciate. The students live within small confines for twenty-four hours in the day, for seven days in the week, and so on for the whole year. There must be something of strictly local interest to engage their attention or life would be impossible without riflemen on the walls. Athletics supply this. They are as necessary as the class-room and have far more influence on the after-life of the student and on all with whom he comes in contact.

H. CARR.



ITHERTO St. Michael's, though an integral part of the University, has preserved her individuality in athletics. From this arose the new custom, during the past two years, of bestowing the College "M" on those worthy stalwarts who have borne her colors with honor in victory and defeat. The great and rapid development in University work and the closer connection presents a complex problem. To continue, as in the past, to have her own teams

in different leagues, and even at times to contend against those of Varsity, the part against the whole, is out of harmony with the spirit of Varsity. Must we, with our glorious traditions, submerge our identity? That is the problem with which we are face to face. It would be a matter of regret to all, but our duty would be plain, were it not for an important consideration. It is doubtful whether life such as ours could submit to the withdrawal of that local interest which fills such an important place in heart and mind of resident students. Whatever the decision, there is not, nor will there be, anything but the warmest sympathy for University interests in all departments.

The Wearers of The "M"

W. L. Murray	L. Gorman	J. McReavy
W. Gonter	S. Reaume	H. Wilkin
M. Gonter	C. E. Coughlin	G. Lareau
H. S. Bellisle	P. Quinn	N. McCormick
J. Sheridan	B. J. Holland	F. Roach
P. Costello	E. J. McCorkell	J. Ryan
J. Canfield	P. Spratt	G. J. Kirby
J. O'Connor	J. Spratt	D. J. O'Connor
T. M. Mulligan	C. McNeil	H. Gonter
	H. Andrews	



THE SENIOR O.R.F.U. TEAM

The Rugby Season

OR the second time St. Michael's appeared before the sporting world in senior company. Our initial experience had been fraught with such a measure of success that we were not without the hope of winning the Ontario championship. In this, of course, we were again disappointed. The season which opened so auspiciously with a significant victory over the champions of the previous year, ended with the coveted trophy just beyond our grasp. Still the aggregate of games won indicates an excellent showing, and we may justly lay claim to second place in the league. However, we do not believe that the winning of games is a true criterion of success in athletics. There is something higher to be aimed at, something that makes defeat as well as victory honorable. It is characterized as a spirit of good sports-This nobler motive, we bemanship. lieve, has governed our efforts to attain the supremacy of the gridiron, and in the



CAPT. "BILL" MURRAY

light of this moral standard we pride ourselves on being eminently successful.

When the students returned for the fall term the outlook for rugby was none too promising. The loss of eight of the old players was a serious handicap, and although abundant raw material was available, we appreciated the difficulty of converting raw recruits into players of senior calibre. The back division was, however, intact, and from the very beginning gave the greatest promise. It, therefore, became a question of building up a line, and perfecting the open style of play, so that the disadvantages of inexperience and lack of weight might be reduced to a minimum, and the greatest opportunity afforded our half-backs of playing the kind of game that has made them famous. This plan of campaign was not new to St. Michael's. It was greatly responsible for winning the Junior Canadian laurels in 1909, and it especially explains the excellent showing in our first plunge into senior company. Last fall, however, owing to circumstances stated above, it alone stood the test of expediency. The effects of careful coaching and training in punting, running, tackling, and team play, were seen at their best in the initial struggle with T.A.A.C., where the champions of the previous season, the cynosure of the sporting public and the predicted winners of the laurels, were humbled in defeat. It was a well-earned victory, and one from which St. Michael's emerged with no little glory. With such a triumph the season was already a success.

The game with Dundas was surprising only in the closeness of the score. The players were certainly not at their best, and the absence of their captain seemed to diminish their aggressiveness. Perhaps the associations of the previous year made them timid. At all events victory by a narrow margin only fell to their lot.

The games with the Alerts of Hamilton were defeats that admit of no doubt as to the better team. The Alerts had abundance of weight, speed, and inside football, as they clearly demonstrated when called upon to uphold the honor of the O.R.F.U. in the Dominion semi-finals. Defeat at the hands

of such a team is no disgrace, though we are far from admitting that the score is a fair indication of relative merit. The Alerts nobly redeemed the laurels they had forfeited to St. Michael's in the fall of 1909.

The final crucial contest—the return game with T.A.A.C.—was played on November 5th. The previous reverses had had the effect of arousing a fighting spirit, and every player stepped on the field with the determination to do his best. The game was one of those gruelling struggles born of rivalry. The advantage rested with the College team until the final quarter, when a combination of unexpected circumstances robbed us of the honors. The season was over, and our second attempt to capture the silverware was unsuccessful.

A glance over our fortunes during the past two seasons in senior football fills us with nothing but satisfaction. True we have suffered several humiliating defeats, but we claim as many glorious victories; and let us hope that manly and sportsmanlike spirit which has been so valiantly displayed in the past, will ever be in evidence in defeat and triumph.



"HAS ANYBODY HERE SEEN KELLY"

Clippings

The Gonter boys of St. Michael's are as good as any half-backs in the country.—Toronto Star.

The College team played the eleverest and cleanest kind of rugby. They put up a hard, close, defensive style, with good tackling. The much heavier T.A.A.C. line was unable to break through by trick or any other kind of inside rugby.—Telegram.

When the St. Michael's College team of Toronto files on the Arena for its match with Harvard, on January 31st, it will probably receive the best reception a Canadian outfit has ever been accorded at a local rink. The remarkable display of hockey by the Canadians last year is still fresh in the minds of the local fans. The clever Jack Spratt will be with the team again this year, and it looks like a warm session for Harvard.—Boston Journal.

The two Gonters, "Dutch" and "Matt" were the stars of the game; "Dutch" Gonter outkicking "Red" Dixon every time they exchanged punts, the college lad having no fumbles to his credit or discredit, while his cousin, "Matt," carried the ball for a gain every time it was passed to him.—News.

Rev. Father Hurley of Toronto was in charge of St. Michael's team. He is a keen sportsman and a lover of amateur games. His youthful rugbyites are a fine lot of boys, and

deservedly popular here, and their victory was a popular one even with many of our own people.—Dundas Banner.

It is interesting to note that the Boston lovers of the game state that, in their opinion, by long odds the best hockey team that has ever visited Boston, either amateur or professional, has been the St. Michael's College team of Toronto.

-Toronto Globe.

On the straight kind they were beaten at every turn. The youngsters played an almost faultless catching game against which T.A.A.C. had only a fair opposition to offer; and to make matters worse, or better, the college lads were right up to take advantage of any mistake.—Telegram.

There were no penalties for rough work, and not a man ruled off. The Toronto boys played cleanly and conducted themselves in good style; while the game had plenty of interesting incidents.—Dundas Banner.

St. Michael's victory over the T.A.A.C. team was certainly one of the big surprises of the day. The collegians apparently have a very nifty team, and may also hand a jolt to the championship aspirations of the Hamilton Alerts when they come here next Saturday.—Toronto Star.

The T.A.A.C. Game

HE Senior O.R.F.U. season opened at the new Varsity Stadium on October 7th, with St. Michael's sturdy little gridiron warriors defeating the champion Toronto Amateur Athletic Club. One would think that such an aggregation of seasoned veterans would carry away the little fellows wearing the light and dark blue, but the score of 13 to 7 tells how Father Carr's lads, playing as a unit, upset their brilliant individual performances. It was a scintillating exhibition of high class senior football. It was a contest of which the issue was decided, not by ponderous weight and massed plays, but by clever work and united effort. When the teams appeared on the field, the crimson line presented a galaxy of stars that would have realized the dream of any football enthusiast. Look who they were! Charlie Gage, Mike Kennedy and "Reddy" Dixon, of the Varsity Dominion Champions of the previous year, along with several others who had not failed in previous campaigns to make a reputation for themselves.

St. Michael's won the toss and elected to kick with the wind. Immediately a kicking duel was on between the two half divisions. After a return of a few of those long aviating punts which have brought fame to "Dutch" Gonter, the well-known "Reddy" Dixon fumbled one, which was grabbed by Canfield, who went over for the first try, amid deafening cheers from the College stands.

The play now became less open, the Crimson changed their style of attack, and endeavored by a series of bucks to force College back. But their every attempt was futile and at every encounter they landed into the arms of "Bernie" Holland or "Bill" Murray, sometimes even to suffer the loss of five yards or more. In the second quarter the collegians goal-line was, at times in danger, but the superb work of "Matt" Gonter and

Andrews saved when scores seemed inevitable; the period ended, with each side scoring two rouges.

The opposing forces returned to the fray with redoubled vigor; T.A.A.C. appeared determined to win at all hazards. Spectacular plays were seen on both sides. The crimson line were pressing hard, the light and dark blue wall remained immovable. It was at this stage of the game that St. Mike's wily coterie of players uncorked a line of fake plays, tricks and ruses that completely mystified the T.A.A.C. aggregation, who appeared helpless at their hands. This was enhanced by the unerring tackling of Ryan and Reaume, while the splendid punting of "Matt" and "Dutch" Gonter, and the speedy runs of "Andy" and Canfield, brought the crowd to their feet time and again. As one football enthusiast expressed it, "They caught the ball like baseball players, booted it well, and ran when a run was needed."

The last quarter began with the College in the lead by six points and the wind against them. It was evidently their duty to hold their belligerent opponents from scoring. But it was here that the real team-play and college spirit was shown. Within two minutes, by clever punting, they had brought the ball up to the crimson goal, where "Bill" Murray robbed Fleming, and galloped over for the second try. The students went wild. St. Mike's now had things all their own way, till presently by a lucky on-side kick from Dixon, Degruchy secured and went over for a try, unassisted. Inspired by the sudden ray of hope, the T.A.A.C. squad became desperate and vainly endeavored to redeem themselves; the light and dark blue line pressed back and were forcing the enemy into their own territory when the whistle announced the end of one of the cleverest games in the history of rugby.

Cullings from the Corridor

"Methought I heard a voice cry, 'Sleep no more'."

—Editorial Staff, a week before the exams.

Brutus.—"Ho, Caesar! How many apples did'st thou eat since yesternight?"

Caesar.—"Et tu Brute." —Version by Mr. E. M. B.

"Gentlemen: After due consideration I have come to a unanimous conclusion."—Mr. M. J. O'M. at a "Lit" meeting.

Mr. B.J.H.—"Have you the minutes of the last meeting?"
Mr. Sec'y.—"No, I haven't the time."

THIRD YEAR ECONOMICS.

Prof.—"What is the difference between capital and labor?" Student.—"Well, if I borrow five dollars from you, that's capital; if you get it back, that's labor."

Independent Member to Leader of Opposition.—"Sir, you are, I think, the biggest ass I ever laid my eyes on."

Acting Speaker.—"Order, order gentlemen, you seem to forget that I'm in the room."

Instructor (after 2 hour's drudgery).—"Right about face!" Cadet.—"Glad I'm right about something."

"Gentlemen: I repeat, Local Option killed Hawtry."

-Mr. F. J. R.

"I heard three sermons this morning, by George."

"Don't swear."

"That's not swearing; I heard one by George Brown, one by George Smith and one by George Jones."—Who's is it?

Rec. Master.—"Why didn't you ask permission before going down town?"

Absent-minded Philosopher.—"By George, that's one on me, I never thought of it."

The long and short of it—Dwyer and Pagé.

Scene: Lunch counter down town (?).

Mr. J. D.-"You seem to like milk, Bob."

Bob.—"I sure do or I wouldn't drink so much water to get a little of it."

"So Mr. ---, B.A., is going to study law."

"No!"

"It's a fact-Canon Law."

Professor of Ethics.—"When is a man obliged to keep his word?"

Mr. L. B. G.—"When no one will take it."

"Who said, 'Stolen cigars'?"

Teacher.—"John, what kept you from school last week?"

John H.—"Please, sir, I had double ammonia in both lungs."



THE SECOND TEAM

The Second Team

HE second team of 1911 entered the Mulock Cup series and by no means did they fail to give a good account of themselves. Although they were not victors, nor was the quality of rugby which they displayed of stellar brand, still, the assiduous and persevering practice to which the whole squad responded was bound to tell and to be productive of good results. The Seconds were greatly handicapped and weakened by the constant withdrawal of players to augment the Seniors. This necessitated the ingrafting of much raw material, which naturally precluded the development of fine team-play. However, in numerous games with the Firsts much likely material was uncovered, and many prodigies sprang into limelight who no doubt will yet startle the rugby world.

The Mulock Cup series opens later than the other leagues, and is composed of teams representing the various colleges of the University. The first game was with the Dental College, on Varsity campus. St. Mike's were deprived of two of their best punters, Spratt and Murray, and the line was also crippled by the removal of their staunchest wing-man, who had played one game with the Seniors, thus being debarred from the series. Still, against these fourteen warriors of Herculean stamp, the lads from Ciover Hill stood firm, and held their burly opponents scoreless during the first session of the game. But later the superior weight began to tell, and the Dents, after much gnawing, indented their line and extracted a try,

while St. Mike's scored only two rouges.

Defeat was again their portion when they met Victoria College, who afterwards figured in the Cup finals.

In the two exhibitions which followed with De La Salle, the gracious goddess was more propitious, for after two strenuous battles, the double blue banner was carried high in victory.

Much credit is due to these young stalwarts for the unselfish manner in which, time and again, they sacrificed players to aid the Seniors. Much praise should be given them for the unfaltering spirit with which they pluckily toiled on, in the face of almost insurmountable difficulties. Each may have looked with envy upon his comrade as he received the call to go up higher and join the First's ranks, and those that remained might have whispered words of blandishment and consolation, reminding one another that the rosy day was not far removed when they, too, would be recognized in the same company.

OFFICERS AND PLAYERS.

Mr. Michael S.	O'Brien	 	 	Manager
Alfred Lellis		 	 	Captain

Team.—G. Cleary, J. Mulvihill, J. O'Leary, V. Mullen, D. O'Connor, F. Riordan, A. Malone, S. Nicholson, J. O'Flaherty, J. Garvin, H. Guiry, V. Quarry, Jos. O'Leary, T. Donovan, B. Temple.



THE THIRD TEAM

Records and Players

Manager Mr. F. J. McReavy	Team.—J. Mulvihill, F. Doyle, J. O'Flaherty, V. Mullin, T. Bourgault, P. McLaughlin, F. Carey, V. Trombly, W. Ham-
Captain	ilton, J. Healy, P. Brown, J. Robitaille, G. Robitaille, D. Sears,
Record	H. Colgan, R. McBrady, J. Kellaher, L. Phelan, J. Amyot.
De La Salle 12 S. M. C. 8 Technical High School 0 S. M. C. 7 Technical High School 0 S. M. C. 8	
Team.—A. Shaughnessy, C. Kraus, W. Lindsay, W. Hatrick, K. Corkery, A. Staley, E. Keemle, W. McNab, J. Shruder,	V. TEAM.
A. McMillan, N. Roche, W. Harris, C. Murray, D. Fowler,	Manager Mr. P. J. Moloney
J. O'Neill, G. Mahar.	Captain P. Hitchcox
IV. TEAM.	- Record
Manager Mr. M. Bench	Beavers 0 S. M. C 1
Captain G. FITZPATRICK RECORD	All Stars
Young Varsity 0 S. M. C. 29 Capitals .25 S. M. C. 5 Riverdales .12 S. M. C. 3 Capitals .14 S. M. C. 7 Riverdales .7 S. M. C. 6 Young Varsity (defaulted) S. M. C.	Team.—G. Noonan, C. Urlocker, J. Shanahan, J. Flanagan, A. Sauve, L. Keemle, A. Lawless, J. Sullivan, L. Rathwell, T. Mahar, W. McComber, J. McComber, G. Eichele, J. Barker, F. Clarke, G. McDonald, J. O'Loane, C. Henrick, E. Hume, D. Boucher.



THE FOURTH TEAM



THE FIFTH TEAM



HE Hockey Season of 1912 at St. Michael's, although to an outsider apparently unable to be placed on the same plane as those of former years, was a distinct success. The results were more obvious to the students themselves, who received the attentions which previously were bestowed upon representatives of the College in the Senior O.H.A.

Early in the fall it was evident that there was plenty of material among the collegians, capable of upholding the honors which were attained by them in former seasons. Acting upon this availability of players, the College was duly represented at the annual convention of the Ontario Hockey Association, and teams were entered in the Senior and Junior series. Moreover, prospects were so bright that games were arranged with Harvard University of Boston, for the latter part of January.

During December the schedules in the various districts of the O.H.A. were drawn up and St. Michael's senior team was placed in Group I., while the juniors were to contend against their ancient rivals of other colleges of Toronto. Shortly after this, a few of those upon whom the College hoped to give the honor of defending her titles, were taken ill, and the enthusiasm of hockey followers was considerably dampened. Conditions were yet favorable, but as frequently happens, misfortunes came in "battalias" and the result was the withdrawal from the Senior Series.

Even then the College intended to fulfill their engagements with Harvard. Hotel accommodation was arranged and berths reserved for the trip. The final blow, which frustrated even this attempt of St. Michael's to maintain her laurels, was struck two days before appearance was due in Boston, and the games were consequently cancelled.

The Juniors, although not successful in winning their group, gave some very interesting arguments to their competitors, and finished the season in third place. This, considering their being greatly handicapped by age and weight, was a most creditable showing.

The real hockey interest, however, was in the Intra-Mural League, which was established among the students. There was no lack of interest to anyone who wished for hockey, and both the players and spectators enjoyed a very successful season.



THE JUNIOR O.H.A. TEAM

The Upper Canada College Game

HIS game, St. Michael's vs Upper Canada, is now becoming traditional, and this tradition, by the way, includes the fact that the struggles nearly always require overtime, and lots of it, before the winner is decided. In '09 U.C.C. succeeded in putting us out of the running by a close margin. The following year we took the two games from them, the first one being a ninety-minute struggle. In '11 we lost both in overtime periods, but in the season just passed we evened up again with a double victory.

On January the 19th of this year, it required eighty minutes of fast, gruelling hockey before the Inter-collegiate laurals for '12 could be properly placed. But they were properly placed, to the tune of 9 to 8. It seems incredible that the boys could have kept up the pace they did for the full time. But two overtime periods! Well there must be something behind it, and that something is the good healthy spirit of hockey rivalry that has always existed between the two Colleges.

The game was lightning fast from start to finish. Sharp at 4.30 referee Eddie Allen, little dreaming how long he would be obliged to work for his salary, flipped the puck between the centre sticks and the game was on. The usual gilt-edged scrambling for the rubber was indulged in for a short time, until the players knew their men, and then they settled down to real systematic hockey. The rooters were given the first opportunity to hear themselves when our "Bobby" Culliton neatly broke up a combination, and taking the rubber the entire length of the ice, bulged the enemy's nets for the first tally. After the face off, the Upper Canadians, thirsting for the usual tied score, chased the puck in close to the S.M.C. citadel and shot from every angle and distance at "Mose" Gorman, but the best they could do was to play a tattoo on "Mose's" pads. We might here mention that "Mose" played the game of his life, and those who have seen him work know what this means.

Finally Garvey, the U.C.C. rover, made a nice rush and beat Gorman with a low swift one, tying the score. Bourgault and Nealon's combination work proved too much for the U.C.C. defence, and the second tally for St. Michael's came when "Matt" located the enemy's nets with a pretty shot from the side. The hard checking of the forwards and the brilliant work of the defence on both sides prevented scoring for some time. With about five minutes left to play in the first half, Burwash and Beck rushed, the latter scoring. Not long after the face-off, Burden and Day duplicated the trick, and the game stood 3 to 2 against us. But S.M.C. again went at them with a vengeance, and clever stick handling and pretty combination on the part of O'Neill and Latchford, resulted in tying the score, 3-3.

Shortly after the second half began, Duggan rushed and scored and our septette was once more in the lead, though not for long, for after blocking a perfect fusilade of shots, "Mose" was beaten by a little scoop from in close. The Colleges then took turns in scoring, Duggan and Bourgault figuring prominently for St. Mike's, and with about ten minutes to play, the game stood 6-6. Nealon notched the seventh one for the double blue, and Clifford O'Neill shortly afterwards made it 8-6. On a long shot from centre the black and white septette crept up one and the tallying seemed to be ended. History is bound to repeat itself though, and the repetition occurred with only three seconds from the whistle, when Burden, the U.C.C. centre, managed to scrape one by Gorman, and full time was called—8-8.

The first overtime period was one of end to end rushes, but neither side succeeded in breaking the tie. In the first half of the second, O'Neill's shot was cleverly stopped by Pepler, but Latchford scooped in the rebound, putting his team ahead to stay, and making the score 9-8.

The Intra-Mural Hockey League

HE year 1912 has seen the inauguration of a very successful hockey league among the students of the College. In previous years hockey enthusiasts were never at a loss for something upon which to concentrate their energies, as a result of the attainments of our representatives in the Ontario Hockey Association. This year, however, the lack of material necessitated withdrawal from the Senior series, and the Inter-Mural League was the indirect result.

From every possible view-point the establishment of this competition among the students has been productive of very satisfactory results. It aroused interest even in the most impassive; it presented an outlet for the energies of the boys at a time when the monotony of the term has very little to relieve it; and it afforded recreation both healthful and wholesome.

The presence of those two most necessary requisites of any sport—friendship and rivalry—were never more in evidence. Each game was keenly contested, but the competitors never exceeded the bounds of friendship and courtesy in their endeavors to gain the supremacy.

The total number of students engaged in these struggles numbered at least sixty, which gives a fair idea of the prominence of the league during the winter months. There were eight teams divided into two groups. Each team was characterized by a significant name.

GROUP A.

TEAM.							MΛ	NAGER.
Rink Ra	ats						В.	Holland
Dwarfs							W	. Gontei
Kandy 1	Kids					Μ.	S.	O'Brier
Plugger								

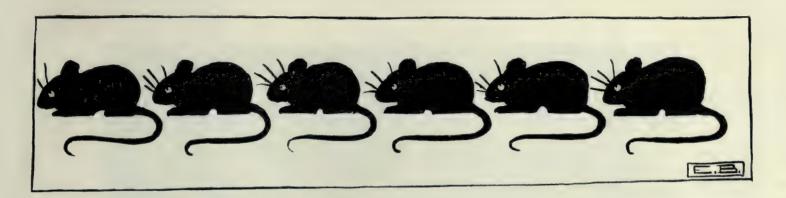
GROUP B.

TEAM.	Manager.
Les Canadiens	. A. Nobert
Kolts	L. Gorman
Scouts	G. Cullitor
Prune-Heads P.	J. Moloney

In the final struggle, which is described on another page, the Rats gnawed their way to victory amid the wild enthusiasm of the assembled league.



THE RINK RATS



The Champions of the Intra-Mural Hockey League

ATS off to the Rink Rats! the winners of the Intra-Mural Hockey League. This little team not only won the championship, but went through the schedule without a single defeat. In the beginning of the season Manager "Bernie" Holland purchased the franchise from the Cast-Iron Wafers, and after releasing a few players who could not qualify on the amalgamated team, signed up sufficient rodents to complete a septette which could handle a hockey stick equally as well as a snow-shovel.

The team was well balanced, having a weighty defence and a light but speedy forward line. They showed a marked improvement in every game, due, no doubt, to the fact that they took advantage of their official position as Keepers of the Ice to chase the puck as well as the snow-scraper. Moreover, much of their success is due to the manager's knowledge of the fine points of the game, and to the careful training and diet prescribed by "Doctor" Manuel.

Captain Jack scintillated frequently throughout the season

and pulled the team out of many tight places by a beautiful rush or by a well-aimed shot.

Keen interest was taken in the two championship games between Les Canadiens and the Rats. Manager Holland's face was a study of conflicting emotions as he watched with bated breath the boys from "en bas à Quebec" bombard Johnny Ryan, the eagle-eved goaltender.

In the first of the final games, the Rats proved themselves superior. When time was called, a mighty shout went up from all Rat admirers, and their opponents had to console themselves with

the thought of winning the return game.

When the day of the final struggle arrived, there was a battle royal. Until well towards the latter part of the game the honors were equal. Then the Rats showed superior condition and won with little difficulty. A chorus of squeaks and squeals went up from all Rats present, and loud was the praise of the manager who that very night graciously tendered to Ratdom a banquet of crackers and cheese.



THE HANDBALL TEAMS

Handball

HE fall of 1911 ushered in one of the most interesting terms from the handball perspective. If we should take as a criterion of precedence the popularity of a game, handball would certainly hold a prominent place. If you doubt it, just take a casual observation of the serried crowd intently watching the alley as if the championship match of the season were going on. If you manage to push your way in, you will see six nimble-footed artists doing a pirouette as if their lives depended on it. There's a reason—they are victims to the game. Moral: Beware the captivating tentacles of handball.

The alley is the scene of battle from September till June; even the winter weather scarcely abates the ardor. There are few on the College roll worthy to be classed in the category of living entities, who have escaped the enthralling fascination of this apparently simple game. Everyone plays it; its

devotees rank from "le petit" Léon Pagé to the magnanimous personage of Senor V. Joseph Mendiola. It surely is great sport.

The intense devotion to this enticing pastime has brought its advocates to unexcelled proficiency. The acquisition for the eighth time of the historical handball cup, testifies victory in the Intercollegiate Handball League. This feat is greatly due to the enthusiasm and able management of Mr. Riordan. Only two other clubs were represented in the league this year—Victoria College and the Dental College.

The following represented St. Michael's:

Team A.—D. O'Connor, H. Gonter, M. Gonter, J. Canfield.

Team B.-W. Gonter, J. Ryan, G. Kirby, H. Andrews.

Team C .- V. Quarry, G. Mogan, G. Culliton, F. Riordan.



Baseball

ITH the welcome disappearance of the snow in the spring, and the first warm ray of the returning sun, the mind of the baseball fan begins to plan for the approaching season, and vivaciously to discuss the prospects which in his opinion stamp this one as a banner year. Human nature is the same everywhere. The college student has as much of it as anyone, and perhaps more. With the final announcement of the season, enthusiasm and youthful ambitiors soar high in anticipation.

Judging from the past few years, and from the interest which baseball has already created, this year should be no exception. The record for last season gave evidence of great ability and most of the players are still with us. Though the time for playing is but a few weeks, we hope to accomplish much. In addition to the Class League, which maintains a keen interest, exhibition games are played by the Firsts with clubs of the Toronto Baseball League.

OFFICERS						
Manager					 	B. J. HOLLAND
Captain					 	S. Reaume

Lacrosse

HE evolution of lacrosse at St. Michael's during the past few years has been very marked, and it now takes its place as one of the foremost sports of the College. This was evinced by the large turnout last year, and the universal interest displayed. In spite of the disadvantages which arise from the early examinations and short season, which preclude the possibility of entering any league, four games were played, two of which were victories.

This year the prospects are of the most promising nature. Nine of the old players are available, and the number of recruits assures us that there will be no lack of material to pick from. A trip to St. Catharines is being arranged for May 24th, while games for each Saturday, with Toronto teams, give ample opportunity to the future lacrosse star to win his spurs.

OFFICERS Manager ... N. McCormick Captain ... J. Spratt





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	Leader of Separatists	F. J. RIORDAN, '12.

The applause of listening senates to command, The threats of pain and ruin to despise, To scatter plenty o'er a smiling land, And read their history in a nation's eyes.

T. MICHAEL'S Literary Society has had a most successful year. The interest of the members was unflagging and the work done has been both of wide range and of excellent quality. At the annual fall election the hopes expressed by the Unionist party in the Year Book of 1911 were more than realized. That party carried everything before it at the polls. Tulit omne punctum. Mr. W. L. Murray, its strenuous leader became Prime Minister of the new government, and with the enthusiastic co-operation of his cabinet, has retained a masterly hand over the reins of power up to the close of the session.

The first great event of the literary year, and in many ways the most important, was the Inter-Collegiate Debate with Victoria. It was St. Michael's first appearance in the I.C.D.U. Although Michaelean effort was not garlanded with the "Crown of Wild Olive," yet its debut in this new social aggregation made it the amiable target for many a winged dart of compliment.

The fortnightly meetings of the Society were always well attended, simply because the government took zealous pains to surround them with novel charm, and surcharged them with substantial instruction. Essays, graceful, elegant and engaging, were contributed by members from both sides of the house. On many occasions, too, the assembly was captivated by speeches abounding in sparkling, kindly wit, humor and trenchant satire, at times swelling to bursts of real eloquence.

The most enjoyable part of these meetings perhaps began when the literary business of the evening was completed and the house sat in solemn parliamentary style. Bills of all kinds were brought in; government measures dealing with matters of federal, provincial, municipal and merely local import, were often after due deliberation voted down or enacted into laws. On these occasions all the latent oratorical talent of the Society found its opportunity and in free outburst of energetic expression a real safety-valve. Debates oft' times waxed keen and



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furious; and again, the *imberbis juvenis* was more decorous, and debates went on with a dignity, a gravity, and a thoughtfulness that would have done credit to a legislative assembly of national concern.

In addition to the extemporaneous debates, which were in evidence at every meeting, the Government provided a number of set debates on its programme. In these the speakers came prepared, and their deliverances were always laden with thought, sometimes shotten with the fire of "Prometheus Unbound." They lacked perhaps the spontaneity and freshness of the free-lance debate at which the fun was often almost riotous; but they realized better than the latter the stricter end and graver purpose of the Society.

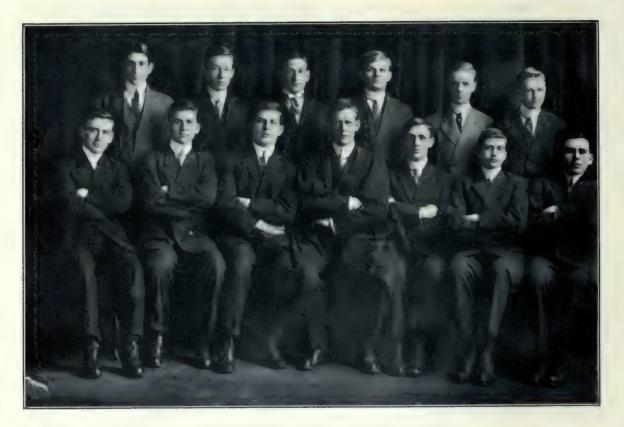
But, by far the most interesting discussion of the session arose over the attempt made by the bolters to organize a third party. Mysterious esoteric freshman formulæ had been passed about by the propagandist members of this cabalistic Junta. One eventful evening, on entering the Club Room, one beheld seated at the hitherto unoccupied east-end of the House, a full third quota of the members. From the fire in his eye and the grim resolve depicted on his features, it was plain that the leader of the bold set of Young Turks was none other than the honorable member from North Bay—the highly esteemed Bernard Joseph Holland. The hour had struck. He arose in his place, and, after a trifling readjustment of position, he informed the Parliament that he would at the next sitting introduce a bill to permit the organization of a Third Party. The war was on! Out on the campus, along the halls, everywhere, members were button-holed, their votes solicited, and preparations made for decisive battle. True to his promise, Bernard and the bill were present at the next meeting. The first reading was given amidst the rapturous applause of the bolters who were encouraged at seeing the current of events running so smoothly. This stirred the old party men to the firmer determination of maintaining the ancient constitution. Excitement waxed apace. Finally that memorable last meeting of the year arrived, when the old guard and the bolters met, drawn up in serried array for the polemics of argument. The contest promised to be truculent, tremendous—but before the battle began, it was announced that the Parliamentary records, the great seal and mace of majesty, had been surreptitiously and felonously removed, stolen and secreted. The assembly was paralyzed. The Third Party Bill was missing. Who was the miscreant? Men left the hall and searched vainly every nook and corner of the College; in fact, as one twisted "Lochinvar" to suit the occasion—

There was racing and chasing on St. Michael's lea, But the lost Bill of Bernard oh ne'er could they see.

Old-line men and bolters congratulated one another in caustic, sarcastic terms, on the disappearance of the records. The government assured the bolters that they by a Deus ex machina had been saved from the obloquy of overwhelming defeat; the bolters congratulated the ministry on the clever sleight-of-hand work by which they still retained their seats. At any rate men are heard yet to sing to the tune of Fitz-James' lament—

Woe worth the chase, woe worth the day, Who's got the Bill? there's none could say.

And so it went on to the end, the Government firm as Gibralter in its rock-ribbed security; the bolters still bolting and clamoring for redress. This year, in fine, was the best and most effective year, beyond any shade of doubt, that old St. Michael's Literary Society, in parliamentary guise or otherwise, has ever experienced. The gauntlet is cast at the feet of 1913, and lo! the haughty challenge—"Outstrip, if you can, the Parliament of 1912."



THE EXECUTIVE OF ST. CHARLES' LITERARY SOCIETY

St. Charles' Literary Society

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4th Academic W. McNab, J. Kelleher
PRIZE WINNERS AT ANNUAL CONTESTS.
Declamatory Contest.
1st Prize—Joseph Sullivan.
Subject: "Spartacus to the Gladiators."
2nd Prize—Frank Hickey Subject: "The Leper."

ESSAY CONTEST.

1st Prize—Claude Barker.... Subject: "In God's Country." 2nd Prize—Jack Barker. Subject: "The Life of a Trapper."

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

1st Prize—Carl Kraus.

Subject: "The Church of the Catacombs." 2nd Prize-Joseph McDonagh.

Subject: "The Awakening of the East."

HE above organization, composed of the classes from the Matriculation Form down, has had during the past year one of the most successful series of meetings in the history of the Society. A good beginning was made on Tuesday evening, October 22nd, when the entire roster of Commercial and Academic students selected a set of officers, who, during the winter, proved themselves quite worthy of the coveted posts they held, by their enthusiastic and tireless efforts to attain the objects for which the "Lit" was intended. The attendance was always large, and, "When are we going to have our next Lit?" is the oft repeated query heard on our grounds and in the corridors. That question is but one of the many tokens of the popularity of meeting night; in fact it may be safely said that each meeting was better than its predecessor, the initial one being most enthusiastic. From every standpoint the Society feels quite proud of its late record, and is quite deserving of the nice things said about it by the visitors who attended the Oratorical and Declamatory contests.

The necessity for a society such as this becomes apparent when one considers the comparative dearth of opportunities to speak which present themselves to the student in an ordinary day's work, as contrasted with the many times a man of consequence finds himself elected to charm an audience with a little oration. The maiden speech is usually of the type, which, instead of impressing the listeners with the series of

facts contained therein, does nothing more than inspire in their hearts a feeling of pity for the unfortunate, as he flounders through a medley of uncouth words and meaningless phrases. It usually requires more than an invitation to get a boy on his feet for the first time; but once under fire, he learns to forget his personal appearance and other sources of embarassment, and overcomes, to a considerable degree at least, the awkwardness which characterizes his first efforts. If the student, then, is to become a speaker of any repute, it must be seen to that his preliminary training be begun at an early stage, and frequent practice indulged in.

The big difficulty usually encountered—that of enlisting the interest of the members, and what is of even more importance, holding it—was notably conspicuous by its absence. The officers, realizing that lassitude or indifference on the part of the members would be fatal to the purposes of the organization, made it a point to have something new at every meeting. The rank and file were educated to find that they had not anticipated in vain, but on the contrary were treated to a novelty at each session. The several meetings held were attended in larger numbers. The assistance rendered by our musical director, Mr. Brazil, helped to no small degree in keeping alive the enthusiasm displayed on the opening night. The Society numbers many vocalists and musicians of pronounced merit, and they were all given ample opportunities to display their talents. Song-sheets containing a number of catching parodies as well as the standard College and University glees, were printed and their contents duly committed to memory. These were rendered at intervals during the regular programme.

The Essay competition, open to the entire Society, brought out several entries and it required more than a cursory examination to fix the awards. The prizes fell to the Barker brothers of Nepigon; Claude, the elder, taking first place with a most graphic specimen of word-painting entitled, "In God's Country." There was in his article no straining for effect, but a simple and eloquent picture of real life, by seekers after pleasure, sport or business, on the waters and in the solitudes of our country. The second best writer was Claude's little brother, Jack, who furnished us with a very pleasing romance of life in the back-woods, the subject being, "An Incident in the Life of a Trapper." The winners wrote on no random subjects; they were born and reared within the confines of the mystic and ever romantic Northland, and they showed by their essays that they knew whereof they wrote.

The second last meeting of the term was given over to a Declamatory contest, a competition open only to members of the lower school. The speakers, who had been for weeks previous to the evening in question, grinding away at several of the most dramatic passages of latter-day poetry, furnished an evening that will not soon be forgotten. A committee of five of the University students officiated as judges, and at the conclusion of the night's performance, had the youngest of the contestants, Master Joe. Sullivan, named as winner. "Spartacus to the Gladiators" was the Hamilton prodigy's offering, and the rendition given left little to be desired. The speaker was perfect in voice, facial expression and dramatic gesture,

and throughout the very lengthy and difficult passage talked and looked the part exceedingly well. Frank Hickey made a good impression with his selection, "The Leper," his clear, rich bass voice being heard to great advantage in the spacious club-room. Of the others the best were Carl Kraus in "Not Understood," and Frank Clark who rendered the old though popular favorite, "Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night."

The 1912 curtain went down on Tuesday, April 16th, on which evening the crowning triumph of the literary year, the annual Oratorical Contest was held. Twelve students gave their original speeches, and it is indeed to be regretted that space will not permit us to publish a few of them. Carl Kraus, who had received third place in the Declamatory Contest, was awarded the highest honors for his superb effort, "The Church of the Catacombs." It was a vivid word-picture of the early Christians, their perseverence and loyalty to the Church in the face of the barbarities practiced upon them, and the effect of their lives and example upon Christianity, was narrated by the speaker, who delighted the audience by his eloquent style.

"The Awakening of the East" was easily good enough for second place, and many interesting facts about the Orient were told in pleasing style by Jos. McDonagh. "Joe." had evidently put in a great deal of conscientious work on his subject. All told, it was a grand evening, and as one of the judges remarked, produced a greater array of speakers and a wider variety of subjects than any similar meeting ever before held by the Society.

It is to be hoped that the work so well done this year will not be allowed to drop or even lag in the future. The boy must speak; he may need urging, but as soon as he recovers from the shock of his first public appearance, he will grow slowly but surely into liking the idea of holding forth, and instead of running away from the opportunity of speaking, will welcome it. And to the student looking for advice in the subject, we might say, "Your efforts will not always please, but if you have the ambition, plug away, no matter what the other fellow thinks of you, and look upon the sound of your own voice as the sweetest music in the whole world."

W. J. O'B.





THE EXECUTIVE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN'S SODALITY

Blessed Virgin's Sodality

Spiritual Director. . REV. R. McBrady, C.S.B.

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The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, as is befitting a Catholic institution, is the principal religious organization of the older students of the Arts and Academic departments.

The date of the origin of the Sodality is practically contemporary with the founding of St. Michael's, and the vast majority of Alma Mater's distinguished alumni were at one time members of this Society. The year 1911-12 has been a pleasant and prosperous season for the confraternity. Reorganization and election of officers took place early in October, resulting as stated above.

Rev. Father McBrady was spiritual director for the year, and the members feel that a debt of gratitude is due him for the timely instruction and kindly admonitions which he imparted to the Sodalists at their weekly conferences.

During the Michaelmas term, meetings were held weekly on Saturday mornings, when the office of the Blessed Virgin was recited. December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, witnessed a solemn reception of over thirty-five new members, which increased the number on the roll to about four score.

Afternoon conferences took place every Friday during the winter months, the students displaying intense zeal and unprecedented interest in the welfare of the Sodality. The officers, and especially the Prefect, labored assiduously and unceasingly in making the year a prosperous one, and their efforts have truly been crowned with success.

May the annals of the future leave as bright and enviable a record for the B. V. M. Sodality as has been left by the 1912 Sodalists.

E. B.



REVEREND DR. DECLAN EDWARD FOLEY, B.A.

O the Reverend Dr. Declan Edward Foley, B.A., we extend our heartiest congratulations on his approaching ordination to the Holy Priesthood.

A graduate in Arts as well as in Medicine, the subject of our sketch spent nearly two years in Europe in post-graduate work. It is seldom that a physician studies Divinity, but Dr. Foley, after having practised medicine several years, experienced a yearning, a congeniality for Theology. He felt it to be his vocation. He came to St. Michael's two years ago to continue the study of Theology. He also served as professor of Biology and acted as physician to the professors and students.

On April 13th, 1912, Minor Orders were conferred on him by His Grace Archbishop Gauthier of Ottawa. Major Orders will be given as soon as His Grace of Ottawa will be at his leisure from his present onerous engagements.

As to Dr. Foley's movements subsequent to his Ordination, we are unable to give any information. Should be accede to the wishes of the Basilians, he will remain with them. If he comply with the wishes of his Archbishop, he will assume parochial work in Ottawa Archdiocese.

During his stay amongst us, Dr. Foley has been the "good angel" at the bedside of many a sufferer. His never failing kindness and sparkling humor have endeared him to the hearts of all.

Should you leave the classic halls of St. Michael's, we will greatly miss you, Dr. Foley. May you, however, labor long and fruitfully in your noble work.



Music



E. JULES BRAZIL

Musical Director.

Music

OLLEGE life would be at times quite disagreeable if we had no music to cheer us along. In St. Michael's the study of this art is rapidly growing in favor amongst the boys. It certainly is pleasing to hear a group of students standing around a piano, at which one of their colleagues presides, singing with great enthusiasm their college songs and other melodies dear to them. It bespeaks happiness, and their happiness being audible, gives their listeners pleasure also. Not one recreative period in the day finds the pianos unused.

This year has been a record one for a large piano class, and we present a group of the pupils. Each boy has been successful in his grade, and the attention to practice has been admirable. Next year will even surpass this, as nothing is being left undone to improve the course of study.

The Sanctuary Choir has only done fair work this year, but the little attempted was always done satisfactorily, although nothing elaborate has been accomplished. Leo Gorman has acted as chanter and was assisted in this capacity by John O'Flaherty, Jos. Dwyer and Leo Powers.

The Vesper Choir have done their little duty splendidly. The attendance was always large and the singing excellent and replete with enthusiasm.

The department of violinists has surpassed everything for the past few years. The class has been large and the course of tuition better than ever, and the year has ended in this department with everyone feeling satisfied and greatly improved in their playing.

The department for wind instruments can only boast of one pupil, and he is Charles Mendiola, and this year has made him a pleasing flautist.





THE PIANOFORTE CLASS



THE VIOLIN AND FLUTE PUPILS

Entertainments

HEN the boys hear a musical noise coming from Room No. 8 they know that one of their confrères has been caught in the "web" and is undergoing a course of stage entrees and exits for the monthly entertainments. And our musical director surely has some artful ways of convincing you that you can sing. As a matter of fact you may not be endowed with a naturally good voice, but that does not seem to matter, once in the "web" and you are seated. Some pretty songs are played and sung for you in an attractive way. Then you sing "Booser Brown" as a testpiece, after which you are asked to choose your song, and, unthinkingly you choose. That settles it, your name goes on the programme. After a series of musical transpositions and a few convincing remarks, you are handed a few hundred words to memorize, and you leave the room feeling certain that you will make a "hit" at the next concert.

And it is correct to say that we have had some splendid entertainments this winter, all of them bright and full of attractive music. Our orchestra, of course, has been an important factor on the programmes, for in addition to opening each concert with the latest march (adding "Booser Brown" as a finale), it also accompanied each singer.

That we have a wealth of talent in St. Michael's has been more than proved, and whilst it would be difficult to pick and choose from this plendid array of artists who have entertained us so gladly. It is well to mention these few "hits": Carl Kraus in his bass songs; Ray Howe in the rôle of a sailor; Sylvester Nicholson in his sorrowful ditties, and last of all our "coon," Jack O'Flaherty. Jack certainly knows how to sing "nigger" songs. He and "Alf" Lellis as the Pullman Porters were always a treat. Yes, we have had every variety on our programmes—sketches, songs, monologues, instrumental numbers, etc.—all well done. The pianoforte students were to give a recital but it had to be cancelled owing to unavoidable circumstances.

We have had an excellent musical year, and our director of music has worked hard to entertain us.





THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

THE VERY REV. J. R. TEEFY, M.A., LL. D., C.S.B.

In Memoriam

The death of the Very Rev. J. R. Teefy, in June, 1911, brought sorrow not only to his immediate relatives and Basilian confrères, but to the entire Province, Protestant as well as Catholic. Father Teefy was a man highly esteemed by all who knew him as a true Christian gentleman, and especially as a Catholic. Father Teefy was a man highly esteemed by all who in his every action, every word; genial in disposition, kind and charitable, a man of broad sympathies, who commanded the respect and esteem of all with whom he came in contact in the various spheres of his activity. He was a man of strong personality; no one ever formed even a slight acquaintance with him who did not feel his own character strengthened and enlivened by the all-pervading influence which radiated from his priestly soul.

Ever zealous for the interests of his Church, Father Teefy, throughout his whole priestly life, endeavored to bring about a better understanding, a reconciliation, between Catholics and those outside the fold, which would secure peace and harmony. His efforts were chiefly spent in the fields of education and the press.

Soon after his graduation from the University of Toronto, the young Professor joined the ranks of the clergy in answer to the call of Grace, and a few years later east his lot with the Basilian Fathers in the cause of education.

The fruit of his years of labor as Professor, and later as President of St. Michael's College, is known to all. St. Michael's sent forth increased numbers to swell the ranks of the clergy and the various professions. Close relations were also established between St. Michael's and the Provincial University. Affiliation was effected in 1881; this bond was strengthened by an Act of Federation in 1890, while Father Teefy was President of the College. Owing to the want of sufficient provision for religious influence in the curriculum prescribed by the University authorities. St. Michael's did not avail herself of the privileges of a Federated College for several years. When, however, under his successors, this undesirable feature was eliminated, thanks to the kind consideration of the University, St. Michael's came forward to take her place as an integral part of the University, and Father Teefy lived to see the complete and unique solution of the problem of Catholic higher education in effectual working order.

After his resignation as President, Father Teefy, now in failing health, spent the remainder of his life engaged in parish work and in writing for the various Catholic organs of the Province. Father Teefy will long be remembered as an eloquent pulpit orator, as a Christian educator, but especially as a complete embodiment of the principles which characterize the ideal Catholic priest. We subjoin an appreciation of the character of the venerable priest, in an extract from an article contributed to

the University Monthly, by a life-long and intimate friend, Professor Baker: "The writer has not known a man who seemed to realize more completely the Christian character. In his make-up there was nothing petty, no vanities, no conceit, no bitterness, charity for all, and while strong in denouncing what he believed to be in error, it always seemed painful for him to condemn the individual associated with the error. He was an obedient member of his community, a big heart, generous to those in need; a man of strong affections, devoted to Church, his family and his friends. He who writes these words has often said that the effect of Father Teefv's character on his Protestant friends, and they were many, was to make them think and speak with profound respect of the Church to which he belonged. The effect of that character on all associated with him was to make them think better of humanity. His passions in life were his devotion to his Church and devotion to his family; and as the cortège descended the aisle of St. Basil's Church one knew not whether to be more impressed by the solemn procession of priests that preceded the bier, or moved by the bitterly weeping sisters and brothers who followed it."

The trite quotation seems to take on new pathos as we repeat the words:—

Quis desiderio sit pudor aut modus Tam cari capitis!

What restraint or what limit to our grief for one so dear?

The Retreat

Thas long been customary in our Catholic colleges to set aside a few days of each scholastic year, when the students devote themselves entirely to the consideration of things supernatural. These days are days of special graces and blessings, for then in the holy silence, each one is in constant union with the Almighty.

The news that Reverend Father Van Antwerp would be in charge was received with no little joy. In previous years here he had shown such a kindly but so forceful a manner, and above all such a profound knowledge of boys and their weaknesses, that the good tidings of his return filled every heart with gladness.

On Sunday night at eight o'clock all were gathered in the study-hall for the opening exercises. The appearance of the Reverend Instructor was the signal for the outburst of hearty applause. Silence ensuing, Father Van Antwerp in a few brief but appropriate words opened the retreat.

The first sermon treated of the retreat itself, its opportunities and the conditions requisite for such a time of grace, namely, silence, prayer and reflection. By fulfilling these essential conditions, all might profit by the advantages offered and thereby fulfill the purpose of these most important days.

Monday morning's conference opened with the words, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and in the end lose his soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" With characteristic eloquence the Reverend speaker dealt with the parvity of worldly riches, the vanity of ambition, the shortness of time and the length of eternity.

This was the first of several enlightening lectures on the Eternal Truths, which were followed by considerations of vocation, and of the means of increasing in grace and persevering unto the end.

Truly if a criterion of the value of the retreat were sought in the zeal displayed by every student and the hearty manner in which each one entered into the prevailing spirit, this might well be considered as one of the most efficacious in the annals of the College.

But the test of a retreat is to be found in the duration of its good effects on the student, thereby developing in him a staunch, manly character and preparing him to tread safely any path of life.

Let us hope that the good seeds sown during those sacred hours may be carefully preserved so that they may blossom forth in all their glory and bring forth fruit a hundred fold.

T. S. O'C.



THE RIGHT REVEREND J. H. CONROY, D.D. Coadjutor Bishop of Ogdensburg, N.Y.

ANOTHER ALUMNUS IN THE EPISCOPACY

N a letter dated March 12th, Pope Pius X. raised to the rank of Coadjutor Bishop the Rt. Rev. J. H. Conroy, Vicar General of the diocese of Ogdensburg. Mgr. Conroy is a native of Watertown, N.Y., and received his preparatory education first in Montreal and later in Toronto where he graduated from St. Michael's in 1881.

His brilliant parts, earnest manner and ever watchful care, have won for him steady promotion to his present high dignity. He has been an ardent supporter of Catholic educational interests since his early days at the College, where he taught in the Junior School during the latter part of his course. During his long term as Rector of St. Mary's Cathedral he erected one of the most beautiful and efficient Catholic high schools of New York State. His speech at the Golden Jubilee of the College in 1903 was a masterly appreciation of the Catholic educational problem.

May he be long spared for the glory of the Church of God, the welfare of the American episcopacy and the honor of our Alma Mater.

Father Vaughan's Lecture

RIDAY, December 15th, Father Bernard Vaughan, the eloquent Englsh Jesuit, delivered a lecture on the "Reasonableness of Faith," in the Convocation Hall of the University, under the auspices of St. Michael's College. The occasion afforded an opportunity to the Catholic students of the University of repaying to some extent many favors conferred upon them by their non-Catholic fellowstudents. To this end, tickets of admission were placed at the disposal of the representatives of the different student bodies, while a relatively small number were reserved for the public.

Students from the several faculties of the University, as well as from the affiliated colleges, together with their friends, assembled to hear the distinguished priest. Sir James Gibson kindly officiated as chairman and introduced the speaker as a patriotic Englishman, belonging to a distinguished family which had contributed several prominent members to the ranks of the hierarchy and priesthood of the Catholic Church.

After disclosing the favorable impression Canada had made on him, her invigorating climate, her marvellous scenery, her boundless resources, and above all, her loyal and patriotic citizens; Father Vaughan turned to the subject proper. He began by a definition of faith, carefully distinguishing between human and divine faith. He did not interpret his subject as a thesis to be proved by establishing the motives of credibility, but assuming that his audience believed in the Divinity of Christ, maintained that they were logically bound to embrace all His teachings. The reasonableness of human faith, he argued from its necessity; man necessarily believes his fellow-man throughout his whole life; human faith is indispensable to the social life of man. "We are, all of us, leaning and walking on the crutches of faith from the cradle to the grave. The man who says he can dispense with faith would do better to dispense with life, for without faith it is time to pull down the blinds, and close up the shutters, and advertise a house to let, unfurnished; and a man to be let alone."

Father Vaughan then proceeded to show why we are logically bound to, and therefore we may reasonably, accept all of Christ's doctrine. He based this argument on the importance of authority. If a man has authority to rule, we must obey; if he has authority to teach, we must accept his teaching. If, then, we accept Christ as the Divine Teacher, we may not choose what we shall believe of His doctrine. "You cannot start Christianity without the tremendous dogma of belief in the Teacher, but once you accept the Teacher, you are logic-

ally bound to go forward and embrace His teachings." Here the speaker intimated that it was not the personal magnetism nor the beauty of His character, His life, nor His teachings alone which inspired belief in Peter and James and John, but something higher. In several epigrammatic and salient utterances, the eloquent lecturer indicated his impatience of those "who, styling themselves higher critics, endeavor to readjust the teachings of Christ to suit the tastes of moderns. It were better," the speaker continued, "to readjust the tastes of moderns to suit the teachings of Christ. 'The fool said in his heart, there is no God'. Sometimes we come across a young man in the necktie and starched collar stage, who thinks it grand to pose like this other fool of whom I am speaking. It is not smart. If you have no place for Christ, you will have no place for your King or Empire. Patriotism is that fair bloom which can grow only on the soil of religion. Brain power is good enough, I want to tell you young men, but heart power is greater. Brain power is not the first thing. What we want to-day is men standing in the rear of their will power and making it go thus or thus. Any fool can be hypocritical. Modern writers, like Hall Caine and Marie Corelli, are ready to sit in judgment and pass a verdict on anything under the sun. I do not mind real scientists, those who know whereof they speak, but these pseudo-scientists, they tease me. They establish their reason, which is after all a feeble thing, as the only criterion of their belief. They will not believe what they cannot comprehend. If I had evidence that Jonah swallowed the whale and the whole zoological gardens, I should believe it; he had to do it, I don't."

In conclusion, Father Vaughan stated that he accepted the teachings of the Catholic Church, not because of her splendor, the dignity of her princes, the grandeur of her constitution, but because he firmly believed that she is the accredited teacher of Christ.

Father Vaughan impressed his audience as being a man endowed with the gift of eloquence far beyond the ordinary speaker. His power of vivid description, his keen sense of humor, his ability to impersonate another in telling a story, his dignified bearing and priestly appearance, all together with the simple and clear treatment of his subject, fixed the memory of the "Apostle of the Slums" indelibly on the minds of those whose privilege it was to hear him.

Professor Ramsay Wright, in tendering a vote of thanks, stated that the lecture delivered by the distinguished member of the Catholic priesthood was an indication of the intimate relations and spirit of friendship which exist between the University and St. Michael's College. Let us hope that these pleasant relations may long continue, and trust that the Christian and Catholic principles so forcibly and withal so graciously submitted by this venerable priest, will take root in the hearts of the students, to blossom into lives redolent of moral excellence and noble endeavor.

T. J. McG.

In Memoriam

Illustrissimi ac Reverendissimi Domini

F. Patricii AdcEvay, D.D.

Archiepiscopi Torontini.

In Memoriam

Illustrissimi ac Reverendissimi Domini

Dionysii O'Connor, D.D., C.S.B.

Qui post Archiepiscopatum Torontinum complures annos bene gestum.
Archiepiscopus Laodicensis de vita decessit.



THE YEAR BOOK STAFF ON THE DAY AFTER ISSUE

Items of Interest

In the publication of this Year Book, the Editorial Staff wish to thank each and every one who so kindly rendered assistance. The co-operation received from the student body left nothing to be desired. It is to be hoped that we have made the best use of the advantages thus accorded us.

Since June last, four old students have been ordained to the holy priesthood. Rev. William Egan and Rev. Melville Staley, who are now stationed in Toronto Diocese; Rev. William Brophy of the Diocese of Kansas, and Rev. Denis McBride of Toronto, who is now continuing his studies in Rome.

The members of the Olde Belles Lettres Club again announce their scholarship of fifty dollars to the student taking the highest marks in the Junior Matriculation examination and registering at St. Michael's College for the first year in Arts. The student may write from any collegiate institute or high school, the only necessary condition is that he register at St. Michael's College for the first year in Arts.

During the Christmas term, the students of First Year Arts were favored with very interesting addresses by Rev. William J. McColl, Rector of St. Peter's Cathedral, Peterboro, and Rev. Francis J. O'Sullivan, pastor of Port Hope. The former gave a delightful talk on Burns, and the latter a very useful instruction on essay writing.

We see that our old friend, Mr. James P. Fitzgerald, B.A., editor of sports on the *Telegram*, has been forced into the Presidency of the Canadian League. A nice side-line, and patriotic too, but Mr. Fitzgerald's judgment and integrity will never be salaried up to their true worth. Old students will easily recall the early nineties, when "Little Fitz" and "Jack" Coty, the S.M.C. battery, contributed so much by athletic palm and personal charm to the general happiness, fine feeling and manly sentiment that then ran so high in the student body.

If the proposed Terauley Street extension is carried through, it will bring the College face to face with the most important crisis in its career. By taking off eighty-six feet, the grounds, already cramped, will be made entirely unsuitable for playing such games as rugby, lacrosse, baseball, etc. The only solution is to divide the school, placing the Preparatory and Commercial departments in the suburbs, to tear down all the present buildings and build anew on the street line. This would involve the expenditure of at least half a million dollars.

Another class has shown its deep loyalty to Alma Mater in a most tangible way. Class 'II has offered a scholarship of twenty-five dollars to the student registered in First Year Arts taking first place in the annual examination. Such generosity and filial devotion is to be greatly commended.

The students of the College wish to take this opportunity of tendering their most sincere congratulations to the Most Reverend Michael Joseph Spratt, D.D., and to the Right Reverend Joseph H. Conroy, D.D., who have been raised to the episcopate during the current year.

To Justice Hugh T. Kelly we extend our heartiest congratulations on his well-deserved promotion to the ermine and woolsack. Gold Medalist in '79, Secretary of the Alumni from its inception until very lately, he has ever been ranked among the most loyal sons of St. Michael's. Genial, cultured, erudite and judicious, he has been chosen often for places of distinction in the public service. He was chairman of the Public Library Board, President of the Law Association, member of the University Board of Governors, for several years in each. Best of all, as an exemplary Catholic, Judge Kelly reflects lustrous credit on his admiring Alma Mater.

Reflections of a Graduate

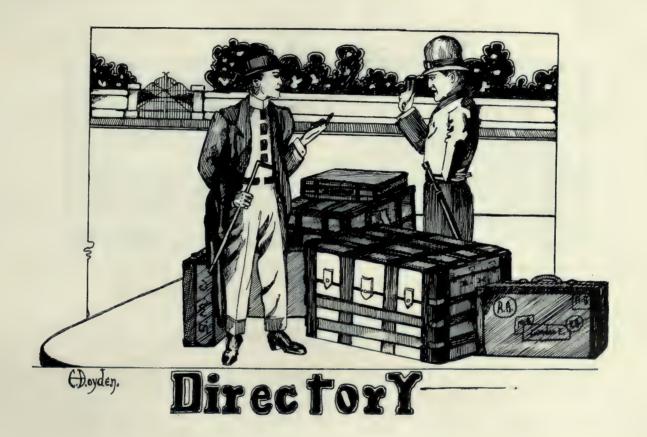
T last has come our turn to say good-bye and bid a formal farewell to Alma Mater. To the uninitiated the College valedictory may be a hackneyed effusion, but surely to the old-time graduate there can never be anything but appreciations for the swelling emotions of the younger brethren. Our feelings are, in a measure, those of others who here and elsewhere have gone before us; ours the same view, half obscured 'tis true, in a mist of tears, yet even this but imparts happy, hopeful rainbow tints to the old haunts and scenes, places and things hitherto regarded as quite commonplace or even at times distasteful to the exacting youthful mind. Still there are other thoughts, all our own. as first we look back upon the cheery round of life at old St. Michael's, and then forward upon the vague expanse of the unknown future. We have seen the dear place, within the last few years, grow so fast and noble and strong, even as the bean-stalk in the childhood's fairy tale. Each silent development we watched with interest so tense. A heart-leap of joy was ours for every new development. The aims, the ideals, the zealous ambitions of our professoriate, are to us well known. No wonder then that we shall ever follow with anxious eye and solicitous prayer the rapid advance of our collegiate home towards its projected point of perfection.

St. Michael's is destined for a great work in the life of the Catholic Church in Canada. Minerva-like she is now rising and girding herself for the task. Were fancy given a free rein, it could hardly carry us off to a more fairy-like prospect than the present figures and facts spread before us as a reality. The young Catholic

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The department of Arts has already been equipped. Extensive plans are on foot to provide residences for students in other faculties. It is only a matter of a very short time when the Preparatory School, reaching up to Matriculation inclusively, will find a splendid site in the suburbs of the City.

We are going. We can still fill a place. The country has no idea—cannot have an idea—of the wonders that have come to pass here even in our time. The information will reach all quarters in due season. We shall be among the first to bring the glad tidings, and let us but hope that we, by our lives, may serve to confirm the validity of the very message that we bring.





The word farewell, the handshake true,
The parting smile that hides a tear,
Like spectres bold will haunt us on
In memory fixed from year to year.

A landmark in our lives they make,
A Rubicon that must be crossed,
A plunge whose bitterness we feel,
As water tempered with the frost.

For years we've studied, played, and talked, Dependent on each other grown; But now a branching path looms up, And each must tread it all alone.

But while footsore we journey on,
The love of others for us burns,
And e'en when fortune seems to frown,
A Mother for our welfare yearns.

May her solicitude remain
An earnest that God's grace will guide
Life's little day from this, its morn,
E'en to a golden eventide.

A last farewell! We meet again,
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The hour has come—'tis hard to part—
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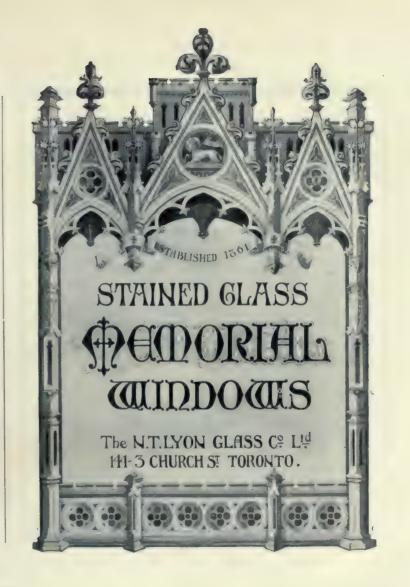
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